APPOINT VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH, URBANA

Action: Approve Appointment of Vice Chancellor for Research

Funding: State Appropriated Funds

The Vice President, University of Illinois, and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign recommends the appointment of Peter E. Schiffer, presently Professor of Physics and Associate Vice President for Research and Director of Strategic Initiatives, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, as Vice Chancellor for Research, beginning August 16, 2012, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of $244,442 (equivalent to an annual nine-month base salary of $199,998 plus two-ninths annualization of $44,444), plus an administrative increment of $55,558, for a combined total salary of $300,000.

In addition, Dr. Schiffer will be appointed as Professor of Physics, College of Engineering, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried.

Dr. Schiffer succeeds Charles F. Zukoski, who last served the role on a permanent basis. Senior campus administrators who served in the position on an interim basis in succession following Dr. Zukoski’s return to full-time faculty service were Ravishankar K. Iyer, Robert A. Easter, and Debasish Dutta.
The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure and Board of Trustees policies and directives.
This nomination is made in consultation with the advice of a search committee.¹

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs.

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The President of the University recommends approval.

PETER E. SCHIFFER

Education
Yale University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, B.S., 1988
Stanford University, California, Ph.D., 1993

Professional and Other Experience
AT&T Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey, 1993-95, Postdoctoral Member of Technical Staff
University of Notre Dame, Indiana, 1995-2000, Assistant Professor of Physics
The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, 2000-03, Associate Professor of Physics; 2000-02, Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Physics; 2003-date, Professor of Physics; 2006-07, Associate Head, Department of Physics; 2007-date, Associate Vice President for Research and Director of Strategic Initiatives