APPOINT DIRECTOR, PRAIRIELAND ENERGY, INC.

**Action:** Appoint Director, Prairieland Energy, Inc.

**Funding:** No New Funding Required

The University procures energy commodity and related energy services from market sources through Prairieland Energy, Inc. (Prairieland), a University-related organization. Prairieland was authorized by the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois (the Board of Trustees) in September 1996 to provide low-cost energy for the benefit of the University and others. It provides an efficient vehicle for flexible, nimble, and real-time participation in wholesale energy markets, resulting in cost savings and other benefits to the University. The Board of Trustees is the sole member of Prairieland and as such is responsible for appointing Directors to the Prairieland Board.

Allan Stratman resigned from the Prairieland Board in May 2016. As prescribed in the amended and restated Bylaws, Article III, Section 3.3, the Board of Trustees as the sole member has the reserved power to appoint Prairieland's Board of Directors. Pursuant to this authority, the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Helen Coleman, Interim Executive Director of Facilities and Services at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, to serve as Prairieland Director.
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.