Board Meeting November 12, 2015

## NAME THE DALE C. AND CAREN C. NICKELSEN POSTGRADUATE PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY CLINIC, COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY, CHICAGO

Action: Name the Dale C. and Caren C. Nickelsen Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry Clinic, College of Dentistry

**Funding**: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends the naming of the postgraduate pediatric dentistry clinic in the College of Dentistry at 801 South Paulina Street, room 261, in recognition of Dr. and Mrs. Dale Nickelsen's personal support of the clinic renovation of \$250,000. In addition, through their advocacy and volunteerism, the Nickelsens were influential in the College securing an additional \$800,000 in philanthropic investment from other donors towards the project. The total renovation cost was \$1.4 million, and the project was completed in 2013.

The postgraduate pediatric dentistry clinic is a state-of-the-science, 3,486square-foot clinic with a floor plan that allows for a better flow of patient care while enhancing patient privacy and featuring ample natural and LED illumination. The facility includes: 20 operatories with eight private rooms and two designated general anesthesia (GA) rooms; a recovery room for GA cases; digital technology and nitrous oxide in all operatories with each two operatories sharing digital radiography; a panoramic and cephalometric x-ray machine; video monitors for patient use in most operatories; and an expanded patient reception area to accommodate a growing patient population with enhanced security for younger patients. Other amenities include a postgraduate dental laboratory; a resident room with 22 workstations; a faculty lounge and offices; and a renovated Gerlach Seminar Room.

Dr. Dale C. Nickelsen received his D.D.S. from the UIC College of Dentistry in 1962, his Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry in 1963, and his M.S. in Pediatric Dentistry in 1969. He has held academic appointments at the College's Department of Pediatric Dentistry starting in 1965. He served as Supervisor of the Postgraduate Pedodontic Clinic from 1967 until 1968 and as Interim Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs from 1987 until 1989. Over the course of five decades, Dr. Nickelsen has been a strong advocate for the UIC College of Dentistry and the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, engaging with alumni and friends to support the Department's annual fund, helping to launch the Dr. Thomas K. Barber Institute for Pediatric Dentistry, and making the leadership gift to launch the Brilliant Futures Campaign effort to build a new Postgraduate Pediatric Dentistry Clinic. He has been a President's Council member since 1992 and a donor since 1980. He and his wife, Caren, were installed in the University of Illinois Foundation's Centuria Circle in 2010.

Dr. Nickelsen has distinguished himself in his private practice for more than 50 years, his military career, his volunteer service, and in academe. On a volunteer basis, he served as Director of Dental Services for the Well Child Center Dental Clinic

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in Elgin, Illinois, from 2001 to 2008, and the clinic now bears his name. He also served as a Pediatric Dental Clinician at the Larkin Center in Elgin, which presented him with the Peabody Award for Outstanding Commitment to Children and Families and for the Elgin Junior Service Board Dental Care Program for Children. Dr. Nickelsen has held academic appointments at the UIC College of Dentistry, Elgin Community College, and at Judson College. A retired Captain in the U.S. Navy Reserves, he has been Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve Volunteer Training Unit 1314 and of the Naval Regional Dental Center at Great Lakes, Illinois. Dr. Nickelsen was the recipient of the UIC College of Dentistry's Distinguished Dental Alumnus Award in 2008.

Caren Nickelsen is involved in community volunteerism and has served as a leader in many organizations. She was a founder, president, and longtime board member of the Elgin Enrichment Series, which brings people in the arts to Elgin, and also has served on the board of the Elgin Community College Foundation; as President of the Elgin PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization); as Charity Ball Chair of the Fideliter Club; as Chairperson of the 100th Anniversary Banquet of the Wesley United Methodist Church; as Chair of the Elgin Junior Service Board; as a member of the Elgin Symphony Orchestra 50th Anniversary Gala Committee; and as a member of the Elgin Academy Board of Trustees. Mrs. Nickelsen also has volunteered with the Jayne Shover Easter Seals Telethon, the YWCA, and the Larkin Parents Association. She was named Woman of the Year for the Altrusa International Club of Elgin in 2008.

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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.

The President of the University concurs.