Board Meeting March 14, 2019

## APPOINT DEAN, COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT, SPRINGFIELD

**Action:** Appoint Dean, College of Business and Management

**Funding:** State Appropriated Funds

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Springfield, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends the appointment of Somnath Bhattacharya, currently Dean of the Gus Machado School of Business and Professor of Accounting, St. Thomas University, Florida, as Dean of the College of Business and Management, non-tenured, on a twelve-month service basis, on 100 percent time, at an annual salary of \$170,000, and an administrative stipend of \$40,000, for a total salary of \$210,000, beginning March 15, 2019. Dr. Bhattacharya served as Dean Designate with the aforementioned administrative increment effective February 16, 2019.

In addition, Dr. Bhattacharya will hold a tenured faculty position, at the rank of Professor, in the Department of Accountancy in the College of Business and Management.

Dr. Bhattacharya succeeds Dr. James Ermatinger, who has been serving as Interim Dean, College of Business and Management since February 1, 2018.

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 recommendation is made with the advice of a search committee.<sup>1</sup>

The Executive Vice President and Vice President for Academic Affairs

concurs.

The President of the University recommends approval.

(A biosketch follows.)

<sup>1</sup> Carol Jessup, Professor of Accountancy, College of Business and Management, *Chair*; Atul Agarwal, Professor of Management Information Systems, College of Business and Management; Matthew Brown, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, College of Business and Management; Patricia Byrnes, Associate Professor of Economics, College of Business and Management; Thomas Gihl, COO, Illinois National Bank; Michele Gribbins, Computer-Assisted Instruction Specialist, Center for Online Learning, Research and Service; Gerard Joseph, Associate Provost Budget & Administrative Planning, VC Academic Affairs; Jeffrey Lorber, Vice Chancellor, Advancement and Sr. Vice President, U of I Foundation; Kathy Novak, Associate Professor of Communication, College of Liberal Arts and Science; Jonathan O'Daniel, Student Representative; Frances Shen, Associate Professor of Psychology, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Benjamin Walsh, Associate Professor of Management, College of Business and Management; and Patricia Young, Office Support Specialist, Computer Science, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

## SOMNATH BHATTACHARYA

## Education

Jadavpur University, Calcutta, India, B.A., 1985 Northern Arizona University, MBA, 1988 University of South Florida, Ph.D., 1994

## Professional or Other Experience

Northern Arizona University, Summer 1988, Instructor
Fort Hays State University, Kansas, Fall 1988-Spring 1989, Instructor
Lebanon College, New Hampshire, 1989, Instructor
University of South Florida, 1990-92, Graduate Research Associate and Graduate
Teaching Associate; 1993-94, Adjunct Instructor
University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 1994-Summer 1999, Assistant Professor

Helsinki School of Economics and Business Administration, Finland, Summer 1999, Visiting Professor

Florida Atlantic University, Fall 1999-Summer 2002, Assistant Professor; Fall 2002-Summer 2009, Associate Professor; 2006-12, Director, School of Accounting and School of Accounting Executive Programs; Fall 2009-Summer 2014, Professor; 2012, Associate Dean, College of Business; 2012-13, Interim Dean, College of Business; 2013-14, Associate Dean, College of Business

St. Thomas University, Florida, July 2014-date, Dean, Gus Machado School of Business and Professor, Accounting