Approved by the Board of Trustees

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Board Meeting

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# APPOINT INTERIM VICE CHANCELLOR FOR INNOVATION, CHICAGO

**Action:** Appoint Interim Vice Chancellor for Innovation

**Funding:** State Appropriated Funds

The chancellor, University of Illinois Chicago, and vice president, University of Illinois System, recommends the appointment of Thomas J. Royston, presently professor and head, Richard and Loan Hill Department of Biomedical Engineering, and professor, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, as interim vice chancellor for innovation.

Effective September 20, 2024, Dr. Royston will be appointed interim vice chancellor for innovation, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, with an annual administrative increment of $63,999.96. He will continue to hold the rank of professor, Richard and Loan Hill Department of Biomedical Engineering, on indefinite tenure, on an academic year service basis, on 100 percent time, with an annual base salary of $228,946.46; head, Richard and Loan Department of Biomedical Engineering, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, with an annual administrative increment of $24,335.44; and professor, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, non-tenured, on an academic year service basis, on zero percent time, non-salaried, for a total academic year salary of $317,281.86.

Dr. Royston served as interim vice chancellor designate in the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Innovation from July 16, 2024, through August 15, 2024, on a summer appointment, on 25 percent time, at $8,000, and continuing August 16, 2024, through September 19, 2024, under the same conditions and administrative increment of the academic year appointment. Dr. Royston succeeds Dr. Anthony (TJ) Augustine, who served as vice chancellor for innovation until July 15, 2024.

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 executive vice president and vice president for academic affairs concurs.

The president of the University of Illinois System recommends approval.

(A biographical sketch follows.)

THOMAS J. ROYSTON

Education

Ohio State University, BS, 1990; MS, 1992; PhD, 1995

Professional or Other Experience

Argonne National Laboratory, 1996, 2001, summer faculty, Advanced Photon Source; 2009, summer faculty, Advanced Photon Source and math and computational science

US Naval Research Laboratory, 1997-98, summer faculty, physical acoustics branch

University of Illinois Chicago, 1995-2000, assistant professor, mechanical and industrial engineering; 2000-04, associate professor, mechanical and industrial engineering; 2004-11, professor, mechanical and industrial engineering; 2009-11, interim head, Richard and Loan Hill Department of Biomedical Engineering; 2011-date, professor and head, Richard and Loan Hill Department of Biomedical Engineering