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Office of the President
June 8, 2010

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

Recommendation: that Dr. Robert C. Mock, Jr. be appointed as Vice President for Student Affairs, effective July 1, 2010.

Background: When Dr. Patricia S. Terrell stepped down, a search committee was appointed to identify and recommend qualified persons for the position of Vice President for Student Affairs. Approximately 70 candidates were considered by the search committee and four finalists were interviewed on campus. Dr. Mock received enthusiastic support across the university and was strongly supported by the search committee.

Dr. Mock earned his bachelor's in industrial engineering at Southern Illinois University, and his master's in interpersonal and organization communication and doctorate in higher education administration at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. In 2009, he attended Harvard University's Institute for Management and Leadership in Education.

Dr. Mock began his career in higher education at the University of Arkansas as a Continuing Education Program Coordinator in 1995, but his talents were soon tapped as he was named Associate Dean in the College of Professional Studies in 2001. In three years, he was given even more responsibility as the Student Services Division Chief and Director of Recruitment and Retention. Dr. Mock was named Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs in 2007, then Associate Vice Provost for Student Affairs, a post he holds today. He also serves in the Arkansas Army National Guard as a hospital administrator officer. He has remained a faculty instructor throughout his tenure as a student affairs administrator.

Action taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____