USNH Board of Trustees Elects New Officers at Quarterly Meeting

Concord, NH – June 26, 2017 - The University System of New Hampshire (USNH) is proud to announce the Board of Trustees has unanimously elected new officers. At its annual meeting in June, the board elected John Small, previous vice chair of the board and a former executive at Towers Perrin (now Willis Towers Watson), Chair; and Trustee Joe Morone, President and Chief Executive Officer of Albany International Corporation in Rochester, Vice Chair. The board also re-elected Amy Begg, Deputy Director of Research at Harvard University, Secretary.

Small will replace Tim Riley, who was appointed to the board in 2009 and has served as chair since 2016. Morone has most recently chaired the Financial Affairs Committee. Both terms are effective immediately and will last one year.

“We’re extremely grateful for Tim Riley’s service to USNH and for his commitment to the families, communities and businesses of New Hampshire,” said USNH Chancellor Todd Leach. “Our board and its leaders are vital to the success of our institutions, and they are committed to the ongoing efforts to operate efficiently and to provide exceptional education to our state’s future workforce.”

Small noted the 29-member board is well positioned to help USNH continue its efforts to increase access and affordability for the state’s students, provide research and outreach to support the state’s businesses and to develop the highly-skilled workforce needed to grow New Hampshire’s economy.

“There is a great deal of work at hand in the coming year,” Small said. “We have initiatives underway for key leadership succession, which is one of the most important responsibilities for the Board of Trustees. We are also continuing our efforts to ensure that we are working with New Hampshire to address its pressing need for highly skilled workers. We know that an educated workforce is a critical part of any organization's decision to operate in our state.”

About the Officers
JOHN W. SMALL
(Chair)
Gubernatorial Appointee
2010 – 2019
(Vice Chair)
PROFILE: Graduate of the University of New Hampshire (B.A., 1976, Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude). Retired managing director of Towers Perrin, a global human resources, financial and risk management consulting firm. More than 30 years of experience in human resources consulting, with expertise in employee benefits design, financing, communication and implementation, as well as human resources strategy and alignment of human resources programs to support overall organizational goals. Member of Towers Perrin Board of Directors, 2004–2010. Member of the UNH Foundation Board; Former member of the Advisory Committee of the Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State.

JOSEPH G. MORONE  
(Vice Chair)  
Gubernatorial Appointee  
2013 – 2018  
PROFILE: Graduate of Hamilton College (B.A., 1974); Yale University (Ph.D., 1981). President and Chief Executive Officer of Albany International Corp., a global advanced textiles and materials processing company. Former President of Bentley University (1997-2004) and Dean of the Lally School of Management and Technology at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (1993-1997). Member of the Board of Directors of Albany International Corp., Presiding Director of Transworld Entertainment Corp. Former chairman of the Board of Trustees of Tufts-New England Medical Center and its Floating Hospital for Children, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Waltham Hospital and member of the Board of Directors of Massachusetts High-Tech Council. Appointed to the USNH Board of Trustees by Gov. Hassan to a term beginning May 1, 2013, and expiring June 30, 2014; re-appointed by Gov. Hassan to a term expiring June 30, 2018.

AMY B. BEGG  
(Secretary)  
PSU Alumni-Elected  
2015 - 2019  
PROFILE: Graduate of Plymouth State University (B.S., 1997). Deputy Director of Research at Harvard University. As a consultant, worked with more than 30 non-profits across all genres including schools, museums, philanthropic advisory firms and higher education. Director of Research for YMCA of Greater New York, 2000-2003. Member and past chair of Plymouth State University Alumni Association Board of Directors. Member of New England Development Research Association; chair of annual conference. Elected by PSU alumni to serve a four-year term on the USNH Board of Trustees beginning July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2019.

About USNH  
The University System of New Hampshire enrolls 34,000 students, and consists of four public institutions: Granite State College, Keene State College, Plymouth State University and the University of New Hampshire. USNH strives to ensure the availability of appropriate and accessible higher educational opportunities throughout New Hampshire, and to address the state’s critical workforce needs. A 29-member Board of Trustees is responsible for overseeing USNH.

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