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# NEWS



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The executive committee of the University of Dayton's board of trustees has appointed alumnus and trustee David P. Yeager as chair of the presidential search committee.

"If I could choose one word that describes the role of a trustee, that would be stewardship, and David Yeager exemplifies that description as well as anyone I've ever met. He is a consummate professional, highly responsible and has a high degree of wisdom and experience. The board of trustees has a great deal of faith in him, and we look forward to Dave taking the reins on this extremely important endeavor," said Steve Cobb, chair of the board of trustees.

Yeager is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Hub Group, Inc., one of the nation's largest truckload transportation companies, based in Oak Brook, Ill. He received an MBA from the University of Chicago in 1987 and a bachelor of arts in chemistry from the University of Dayton in 1975.

The 17-member search committee comprises a cross-section of the campus community, including faculty, trustees, administrators, staff, a student, the president-elect of the Alumni Association and a representative of the Dayton community. The nationally recognized executive search firm Isaacson, Miller will help the committee conduct the search for the University's 19th president.

Here are members of the search committee:

**Mary Boosalis** — *Board of Trustees, Chair, Finance Committee*

**Tom Breitenbach** — *Board of Trustees, Chair, Investment Committee*

**Trevor Collier** — *Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Economics and Finance*

**The Rev. James Fitz, S.M. '68** — *Board of Trustees, Vice President for Mission and Rector*

**Richard Granite '88** — *President-Elect, Alumni Association*

**Steve Herndon** — *Assistant Dean of Students and Executive Director of Housing and Residence Life*

**George Hanley '77** — *Board of Trustees, Chair, Advancement Committee*

**Larry D. Harris '72** — *Board of Trustees*

**Allen M. Hill '67 '72** — *Retired President and CEO of Dayton Power & Light*

**Carissa Krane** — *President, Academic Senate; Associate Director of Research, Honors Program; Associate Professor of Biology*

**Sundar Kumarasamy** — *Vice President for Enrollment Management and Marketing*

**Elaine Laux '16** — *Vice President, Student Government Association*

**Dennis Marx '68** — *Board of Trustees, Chair, Audit Committee*

**Margaret Pinnell '88 '88 '95** — *Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering*

**The Rev. Martin Solma, S.M.** — *Provincial of the Marianist Province of the United States*

**Kathleen Webb** — *Dean of University Libraries*

**David Yeager '75** — *Board of Trustees, Chair, Presidential Search Committee*

"This committee represents a strong cross-section of our stakeholders," Yeager said. "We will engage

the campus community in conversations about the desired leadership characteristics for our next president, while respecting the confidentiality of the candidates during the process."

The executive search firm of Isaacson, Miller will help the search committee develop a process for recruiting a strong, diverse pool of candidates, Yeager said. All candidates must be Catholic, either vowed or lay, with a preference given to qualified members of the Society of Mary.

The firm has conducted dozens of presidential searches. In the last three years, the company helped to recruit presidents for Amherst College, Claremont McKenna College, Dartmouth College, Lawrence University, Lehigh University, Tufts University, the University of California System, the University of California, San Diego, the University of Illinois and the University of Vermont.

"They're one of the largest search firms in the nation that focuses on academia," he said. "They understand our culture and our unique Catholic, Marianist identity — and they've performed numerous successful searches on our campus in the past."

Daniel J. Curran, the first lay president in University of Dayton history, recently announced plans to step down in June 2016 after presiding over an era of unprecedented growth.

Known as a bold, forward-thinking leader, Curran strategically positioned the Catholic, Marianist university nationally and globally, enrolled some of the largest, most academically talented classes in school history and dramatically expanded the University of Dayton's footprint from the Great Miami River to China during the last 12 years.

A sociologist by training, Curran will take a one-year sabbatical, then join the faculty as a professor. As president emeritus, he will teach and conduct research on campus and serve as executive-in-residence for Asian affairs in the University of Dayton China Institute in Suzhou, China.

For updates on the presidential search, visit [go.udayton.edu/presidentialsearch](http://go.udayton.edu/presidentialsearch).

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