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Members, Board of Trustees:

## APPOINTMENT OF DEAN OF THE COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

<u>Recommendation</u>: that Dr. Scott M. Lephart be appointed Dean of the College of Health Sciences, effective February 1, 2015.

<u>Background</u>: Dr. Lephart is currently Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Sports Medicine and Nutrition and founding director of the Neuromuscular Research Laboratory at the University of Pittsburgh. He has been successful in building a flourishing research enterprise with extraordinary growth in academic programs, personnel and facilities.

Dr. Lephart earned his undergraduate degree at Marietta College and both his master's and doctoral degrees in Sports Medicine at the University of Virginia (Charlottesville).

Having served on the University of Pittsburgh faculty for 27 years, Dr. Lephart is widely published and recognized as a leader in sports medicine, particularly with regard to neuromuscular and biomechanical analysis of human movement associated with musculoskeletal injury, prevention, surgery and rehabilitation.

Dr. Lephart has secured multiple research grants as the principal investigator leading the Department of Defense (DoD) Human Performance Research initiative. His DoD research grants focus on establishing Warrior Human Performance Research Center installations to study injuries and performance of elite warriors.

His research has resulted in 125 published papers and more than 250 national and international presentations.

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