

**WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
ITEM SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees
FROM: President Sabah Randhawa
DATE: June 9, 2017
SUBJECT: **Recognitions and Introductions**
PURPOSE: Information Item

President Sabah Randhawa and Provost Brent Carbajal will recognize the following people for their outstanding achievements and service to the University.

- Fulbright, Gillman, Research Experience for Undergraduates Teaching Assistant Program in France Student Award Recipients
- Resolution No. 2017-02 Recognizing the Service of Vice President Eileen Coughlin
- Resolution No. 2017-03 Recognizing the Service of Vice President Steve Swan
- Resolution No. 2017-04 Recognizing the Service of Dean Francisco Rios
- Resolution No. 2017-05 Recognizing the Service of Dean and Vice President Kathleen Kitto
- Resolution No. 2017-07 Recognizing the Western Washington University Women's Rowing Team
- Resolution No. 2017-08 Recognizing Bethany Drake, NCAA Division II Javelin National Champion

Fulbright, Gillman, Research Experience for Undergraduates Teaching Assistant Program in France Student Award Recipients

Western Washington University graduates and students have been chosen to receive a number of national awards this year including five Fulbright Fellowship awards, nine Gilman awards, one Research Experience for Undergraduate awards and one Teaching Assistance Program in France awards.

The Fulbright Program is a prestigious international exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government. Over the years, Fulbright Scholarships have enabled nearly 300,000 participants to travel abroad to study, teach, conduct research and exchange ideas to foster understanding between Americans and people of other countries.

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program offers competitive selection process grants for U.S. citizen undergraduate students of limited financial means to pursue academic studies or credit-bearing, career-oriented internships abroad. This congressionally funded program is sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State.

The Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) program supports active research participation by undergraduate students in any of the areas of research funded by the National Science Foundation. REU projects involve students in meaningful ways in ongoing research programs. Research may be

based in a single discipline or academic department or may offer interdisciplinary or multi-department research opportunities with a coherent intellectual theme.

The Teaching Assistant Program in France (TAPIF) is a joint initiative of the French Ministry of Education, the Centre International d'Études Pédagogiques (CIEP) and the Cultural Services of the French Embassy. The program's goal is to strengthen English-language instruction in French schools by establishing a native speaker presence. Assistants teach 12 hours per week in up to 3 schools. Classes are conducted in English. Teaching assistants conduct all or part of a class, typically leading conversations in English. Duties include serving as a resource person in conversation groups, providing small group tutorials, and giving talks related to American studies. Assignments vary depending on the school's needs and the assistant's abilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-02
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
FOR ENROLLMENT AND STUDENT SERVICES

Eileen Coughlin

WHEREAS, in 1994, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** was appointed Vice President for Student Affairs and Academic Support Services at Western Washington University by President Karen W. Morse, and appointed Senior Vice President and Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services by President Bruce Shepard in 2011; and

WHEREAS, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** brought to her appointment thirteen years of experience at Northern Arizona University as Associate Vice President for Student Services and Assistant Professor of Educational Psychology, and previously as Director of Residence Life, and six years of experience at Central Michigan University as Assistant Director of Housing and Food Services and Assistant Director of Housing Programs; and

WHEREAS, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** holds a doctorate in Educational Psychology from Northern Arizona University, master's and bachelor's degrees in Counseling and Education from Central Michigan University; and

WHEREAS, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** has been a passionate advocate for students, particularly underrepresented students, grounded in her personal experience and a deep conviction in students' capacity to succeed when given opportunities and support; and

WHEREAS, under **EILEEN COUGHLIN**'s leadership, the Division of Enrollment and Student Services has addressed several significant strategic goals, that enhance enrollment, recruitment, and student support services to address the needs of Washington State, enrich student diversity and inclusion, and ensure that a high quality Western education is affordable and accessible; and

WHEREAS, as Senior Vice President and Vice President of Enrollment and Student Services, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** has provided leadership in leveraging collaboration across the University, and has been integrally involved in bringing numerous capital improvements to fruition, including a Viking Union remodel, the Student Recreation Center, the Buchanan Towers addition, Harrington Field, the Carver Academic renovation, and the Ethnic Student Center expansion currently underway; and

WHEREAS, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** has served with commitment, distinction and good humor as a valued colleague on the University's senior leadership team; and

WHEREAS, **EILEEN COUGHLIN** will complete her appointment as Senior Vice President and Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services on July 31, 2017;

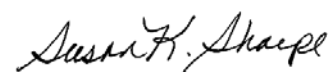
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University offers deepest thanks and commendation to **EILEEN COUGHLIN** for her many achievements and for her service as Senior Vice President and Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on the 9th day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:



John M. Meyer, Secretary



Susan K. Sharpe, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-03
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Steve Swan

WHEREAS, in 2009, **STEVE SWAN** was appointed Vice President for University Relations and Community Development at Western Washington University by President Bruce Shepard; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN** brought to his appointment nearly twenty years' experience at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, including as Assistant Chancellor for University Advancement, Executive Director of University Advancement, Assistant Coach of men's basketball, as well as four years' experience as President of Ultimate Sports Apparel of Green Bay, and eight years' experience as sports information director at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN** received his bachelor's degree in Journalism from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN's** personal integrity, principled leadership, and commitment to mutually beneficial partnerships have made him a highly effective and respected representative for Western in the Bellingham community, in Olympia, and throughout the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, under **STEVE SWAN's** leadership, the Division has successfully addressed a number of significant institutional goals, including the enhancement of Western's branding, communication and marketing efforts to enable Western to communicate more effectively with prospective students, community stakeholders, business leaders, elected representatives, and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN** has provided vision and leadership that has strengthened Western's reputation and outcomes with the Washington State Legislature, elevating Western's profile as an innovative, student-centered institution responsive to the needs of Washington State; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN** has served with distinction as a valued colleague on the University's senior leadership team, contributing an invaluable "big picture" perspective and a self-effacing commitment to enhancing the effectiveness of the team and the institution as a whole; and

WHEREAS, **STEVE SWAN** will complete his appointment as Vice President for University Relations and Community Development on June 30, 2017;

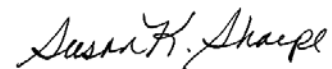
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University offers thanks and commendation to **STEVE SWAN** for his many achievements and for his service as Vice President for University Relations and Community Development.

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ATTEST:



John M. Meyer, Secretary



Susan K. Sharpe, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF DEAN

Francisco Rios

WHEREAS, in 2011, **FRANCISCO RIOS** was appointed by Provost Catherine Riordan as Dean of Woodring College of Education at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS** brought to his appointment as Dean of Woodring College of Education, experience as Professor, Director and Department Chair at the University of Wyoming, and Associate Professor and Interim Associate Dean at California State University – San Marcos; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS** received his undergraduate degree at Carroll College and his doctorate at the University of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS** has always been, and will continue to be, a tireless and effective advocate for students, equity, social justice, and strong community engagement; and

WHEREAS, under **FRANCISCO RIOS**'s leadership, the Woodring College of Education has successfully realized a number of significant goals, including the college's enhanced ability to address the current and future needs of Washington State in the critical fields of teacher education, innovation, and human services; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS**, as Dean of Woodring College of Education has provided vision and leadership reflected in significant accomplishments including but not limited to the establishment of the RN-BSN Nursing Program, important international partnerships, understanding and acknowledging societal cultural shifts and adapting the college to those changes, and has always spoken as a tireless advocate for those without a voice; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS** has served with commitment and distinction as Dean of Woodring College of Education and as a trusted member of the Academic Affairs leadership team; and

WHEREAS, **FRANCISCO RIOS** will complete his appointment as Dean of Woodring College of Education and return to teaching, August 1, 2017;

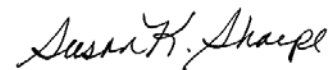
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University offers thanks and commendation to **FRANCISCO RIOS** for his many achievements and for his service as Dean of Woodring College of Education.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on the 9th day of June 2017.

ATTEST:



John M. Meyer, Secretary



Susan K. Sharpe, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF VICE PROVOST and DEAN

Kathleen Kitto

WHEREAS, in 2013, **KATHLEEN KITTO** was appointed by Provost Brent Carbajal as Vice Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, at Western Washington University and

WHEREAS, **KATHLEEN KITTO** brought to her appointment as Vice Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School twenty-nine years of experience at Western Washington University, including experience as a faculty member, Director, Department Chair, founding Associate Dean of the College of Sciences and Technology and Special Assistant to the Provost;

WHEREAS, **KATHLEEN KITTO** received her Associate of Science-Engineering, undergraduate and graduate degrees at Montana College of Mineral Science and is a nationally acknowledged researcher; and

WHEREAS, **KATHLEEN KITTO** has been a tireless and effective advocate for researchers at all levels of the university, including undergraduates, graduates, staff, scientists and faculty; and

WHEREAS, under **KATHLEEN KITTO**'s leadership, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs has successfully addressed a number of significant goals, including restructuring RSP into a more efficient unit, boosting morale among the staff, and creating transparency in the budget; and

WHEREAS, as Dean of the Graduate School, **KATHLEEN KITTO** has provided vision and leadership reflected in significant accomplishments including but not limited to helping usher in a new faculty leadership structure for the Graduate Council, directing the assessment of all Graduate Programs in preparation for our seven year accreditation visit, and enhancing the visibility of graduate education at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, **KATHLEEN KITTO** has served with commitment and distinction as Vice Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School and as a trusted member of the Academic Affairs leadership team; and

WHEREAS, **KATHLEEN KITTO** has announced her retirement from Western Washington University;

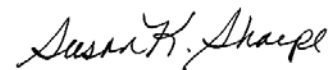
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University offers thanks and commendation to **KATHLEEN KITTO** for her many achievements and for her service as Vice Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its regular meeting on the 9th day of June 2017.

ATTEST:



John M. Meyer, Secretary



Susan K. Sharpe, Chair

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-07

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
CONGRATULATING THE WESTERN WOMEN'S ROWING TEAM**

WHEREAS, The Western Washington University women's rowing team, under the leadership of head coach John Fuchs, won the NCAA Division II National Championship on May 28, 2017 defeating second place Central Oklahoma by one point on Lake Mercer in West Windsor, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, this marks the eighth national championship in the program's history, adding to the seven consecutive women's rowing national titles from 2005-11; and

WHEREAS, this is the 11th team national championship in Western Athletics history and the second of the 2016-17 season, joining the Western women's soccer team; and

WHEREAS, the Vikings' varsity eight and varsity four shells both advanced to the grand finals after qualifying heats, with the four winning the grand final and the eight finishing second, resulting in the team national rowing championship; and

WHEREAS, Western was ranked No. 1 nationally in six of eight Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association/US Rowing Coaches Polls throughout the regular season, and won 21 of 28 races, including dominating performances at the San Diego Crew Classic and the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championships; and

WHEREAS, the team members distinguished themselves in the classroom as well as on the field throughout a rigorous schedule of events, with varsity seven seat Karisa Stapp earning College of Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Division II Academic All-District At-Large honors; and

WHEREAS, the entire team demonstrated fine sportsmanship and inspired youth to work hard, play well and enjoy athletic competition; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University recognizes the Western Women's rowing team for its outstanding accomplishments and extends to the team the Board's sincere congratulations on behalf of the entire university community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its meeting on June 9, 2017.

ATTEST:



Sue Sharpe, Chair



John Meyer, Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
CONGRATULATING BETHANY DRAKE**

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE won the women's javelin at the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championship on May 27, 2017, with a throw of 169 feet 11 inches, exceeding the second-best throw in the competition by over 12 feet; and

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE is now the owner of two of Western's five NCAA Division II national championships in women's javelin, having also won the NCAA Division II National Champion in 2014; and

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE won the women's javelin at the 2017 GNAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships with a throw of 171 feet 11 inches; and

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE is a three-time First Team All-American, and a HERO Sports Division II HERO of the Year Finalist; and

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE has distinguished herself in the classroom as well as on the field, earning College of Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Division II Academic All-District honors, and finishing her undergraduate career with a 3.87 GPA in Art Education and a 4.00 GPA in her Master's in Teaching program; and

WHEREAS, BETHANY DRAKE has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship and inspired youth to work hard, play well and enjoy athletic competition; and

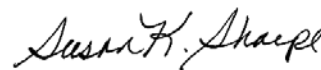
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University recognizes BETHANY DRAKE for her outstanding accomplishments and extends the Board's sincere congratulations on behalf of the entire university community.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its meeting on June 9th, 2017.

ATTEST:



John M. Meyer, Secretary



Susan K. Sharpe, Chair