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Dear St. Joseph's Academy Community:

We want to update you on your Board of Directors search for a new President of St. Joseph's Academy. The Board has approved implementation of the interim leadership plan developed for the 2021-2022 school year while the search for our next President continues.

We are pleased to announce that Marcia Niedringhaus will once again assume the position of Interim President of St. Joseph's Academy. Marcia served as Interim President of the Academy for the 2015-2016 school year during our search that led us to Dr. Mooney. She has immersed herself in the SJA mission as a member of our Board of Directors from 2013 – 2020 and as Board Chair and is currently Vice-Chair of the newly organized St. Joseph Educational Ministries (SJEM), a ministerial public juridic person charged with retaining the Catholic identity and CSJ spirituality in perpetuity at the five institutions founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, including St. Joseph's Academy. Marcia and her husband, Duke, are parents of two SJA graduates, Ashley '05 and Megan '09, and are long-time members of Our Lady of the Pillar Catholic Church. Marcia graduated from two Catholic institutions, Incarnate Word Academy and Marquette University, before earning her law degree at Washington University.



Marcia was a partner at the law firm of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale and participated in firm management as its hiring partner. In 2004, she became Executive Vice President and General Counsel for CWE Hospitality Services, LLC, where she oversaw the \$150 million renovation of the Chase Park Plaza Hotel and developed The Private Residences at The Chase Park Plaza. Marcia also served as President and Board Member for Commercial Real Estate Women of St. Louis (CREW), chaired the City of Creve Coeur Planning and Zoning Commission and served on numerous boards including Marian Middle School. She has received numerous awards, including the St. Louis Business Journal's 40 Under 40 and Most Influential Business Women and the YWCA's Leader of Distinction.

Marcia's business accomplishments and civic experience, coupled with her strong dedication to the Academy and previous service as our Interim President, makes her well-suited to lead us through this transitional period. She will join our administration and Senior Leadership Team, which includes:

- Dr. Jennifer Feise Sudekum '93, Principal of Academic Affairs
- Karen Davis, Principal of Student Affairs
- Linda Holland Decker '83, Director of Institutional Advancement
- Dianne Dunning-Gill '88, Director of Enrollment Management
- Lisa Zobel, Chief Financial Officer
- Anna Hotop, Director of Campus Ministry

We are grateful that Marcia has once again answered our call to serve the Academy in this additional capacity. Please join us in welcoming her to this interim leadership role. Thank you for your support.

Julia Bigley Mize, ('92), Chair, Search Committee

Craig Hannick, Board Chair