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February 21, 2017

President Gregory L. Fenves
The University of Texas at Austin
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Dear President Fenves:

Enclosed for your consideration and action is the slate of nominees for appointment to the University Co-op Board of Directors (D 14983), which was approved by the Faculty Council yesterday.

From the University Co-op Board of Directors' slate, you are to choose one to serve a four-year term beginning September 1, 2017, through August 31, 2021. Also included are statements from each of the candidates to assist in your decision.

Cheryl Phifer, University Co-op president and CEO, has requested that the appointment for the board be made as soon as possible, preferably by April 1, so that the new member will be able to attend the last Co-op board meeting, which occurs in April. In recent years, the new board members have been included in these events so that they may become familiar with board operations and their new responsibilities in a much more timely manner. This facilitates a smoother transition not only for the new faculty member, but also improves board functioning.

Please let me know if you have questions or concerns regarding these recommendations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan W. Friedman".

Alan W. Friedman, Secretary
General Faculty and Faculty Council
The University of Texas at Austin
Arthur J. Thaman and Wilhelmina Doré Thaman Professor of English and Comparative Literature

Enclosures
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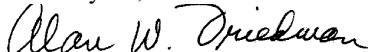
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Gloria Mendoza, Assistant to the Assistant Deputy to the President
Jody L. Jensen, 2016-17 Faculty Council Chair

DOCUMENTS OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE FACULTY MEMBERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY CO-OP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Professor Jody L. Jensen (Kinesiology and Health Education), Chair of the Faculty Council Committee to Nominate Faculty Members for Appointment to the University Co-op Board of Directors, has filed with the Secretary of the Faculty Council the report set forth below.

Notice is hereby given that this report will be presented to the Faculty Council for action at its meeting on February 20, 2017. At that meeting additional nominations may be made from the floor.



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Each spring the chair of the Faculty Council appoints a committee to nominate a panel of the General Faculty of The University of Texas at Austin for appointment to the University Co-op Board of Directors. The panel shall, upon approval by the Faculty Council, be transmitted to the President with the recommendation that he or she select one representative from the panel for appointment to the University Co-op Board of Directors to serve a four-year term of service. If the President declines or, because of rejection of the post by all nominees, is unable to appoint any of the nominees, the President may either request that the Council, through its committee, make additional nominations or invoke a different procedure for selecting the appointees as he may deem appropriate, provided that such different procedure shall include consultation with the Council's committee before the President offers the appointment to any faculty member.

Accordingly, the Faculty Council committee (Jody L. Jensen, chair) submits the nominations set forth below.

The present faculty composition of the **University Co-op Board of Directors** is as follows:

Michael G. Hasler, Professor, Information, Risk, and Operations Management (Chair, term open)
Robert H. Wilson, Professor, Public Affairs (term expires 2017)
Hillary Hart, Distinguished Senior Lecturer, Civil, Architectural, and Environmental Engineering (term expires 2018)
Garrett P. Sonnier, Associate Professor, Marketing Administration (term expires 2019)
John S. Dzienkowski, Professor, Law (term expires 2020)

The panel of faculty being nominated for appointment in 2017 for a four-year term to the **University Co-op Board of Directors** is as follows:

Sharon L. Strover, Professor, Radio-Television-Film
Melissa F. Wasserman, Professor, Law
Hannah C. Wojciehowski, Professor, English¹

¹ On February 20, 2017, Professor Mark G. Longaker declined to have his name on the panel and Professor Wojciehowski's name was added.

2016-17 University Co-op Board of Directors Nominee Statements

Sharon L. Strover, Professor, Department of Radio Television-Film, and Director, Technology and Information Policy Institute

I am very interested in joining the Co-op Board of Directors and am prepared to assist in its duties. I have admired the Co-op's support of UT-Austin, and am a firm believer in the role of not-for-profit organizations in contemporary communities; I belong to several coops myself, and date my familiarity with such organizations to my many years in Wisconsin, the birthplace of numerous successful and influential cooperative endeavors. The Co-op has changed a great deal over the years, and it will continue to change as the University and Austin community evolve. I know the University Co-op has been instrumental in supporting many of the University's goals and processes, and I would be proud to be a part of that mission as it unfolds over the next several years.

Melissa F. Wasserman, Professor, School of Law

I would like to serve on the Board of Directors of the University Co-op in order to learn more about University of Texas and to give back to the University of Texas. The University Co-op plays a unique and important role at the University of Texas, one I would very much like to be a part of. Moreover, I believe my educational background of having a Ph.D. in chemical engineering and J.D. would make me uniquely qualified to help advance the educational interest of University of Texas and oversee scholarship, grants, and funding. I have routinely review grant proposals for other granting agencies and my interdisciplinary background provides me with a broad view of educational interests. Finally, having a law degree would be beneficial in the various issues that Board of Directors would face.

Hannah Chapelle Wojciehowski, Professor, Department of English

Hannah Chapelle Wojciehowski is Professor of English and Comparative Literature Affiliate at the University of Texas at Austin. With a background in fine arts and literary studies, Wojciehowski completed her Ph.D. in Renaissance Studies at Yale University. A cultural theorist specializing in the history of subjectivity and "group subjectivity," a form of distributed cognition, Wojciehowski is the author of *Group Identity in the Renaissance World* (Cambridge UP, 2011). She has recently edited Shakespeare's *Cymbeline* for the New Kittredge Shakespeare Series (Hackett, 2016), and she has authored numerous book chapters, articles and creative works.

As a lover of books and print media in general, and as a fan of new media, as well, Wojciehowski is committed to the survival of bookstores, libraries, and other sources of printed and digital information during the current era of rapid technological transformation. She will work hard to ensure the prosperity and central role of the U.T. Co-op in campus life and culture.