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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

QUIVEY SELECTED TO CHAIR VP SEARCH

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University President David Jorns has selected English department Chairman James Quivey to chair the search committee for a new Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs (VPAA) at the university.

The new VPAA will replace Barbara Hill, who will begin a six-month administrative leave May 31 before retiring from the university after 25 years as an administrator and faculty member.

Search committee members are expected to be named later this month, prior to the first committee meeting on Jan. 25. The search will be closed in mid-March, with candidate interviews scheduled to begin the second week in April.

"A national search will be conducted so that Eastern can find the most qualified individual to handle this very responsible position," Jorns said.

He added, "I am confident that Dr. Quivey will conduct an efficient and effective search. He is a long-standing member of Eastern's academic affairs area and is widely respected by his peers."