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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

HOHENGARTEN TO HEAD SEARCH COMMITTEE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University President David Jorns has appointed Frank Hohengarten, dean of student academic services, to chair a search committee to fill the position of vice president for student affairs.

In making the announcement, Jorns said, "Dr. Hohengarten is extremely well qualified to chair this vital search. He has spent 21 years in higher education, with the majority of his service in the area of student affairs. I know he will do an exemplary job."

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The vice president serves as chief student affairs officer, is one of the four senior executive officers for the University, a member of the President's Council, and is directly involved in the overall planning and management of the University.

Lou Hencken has been serving as acting vice president since Glenn Williams retired last fall after 22 years in the position.

Hohengarten, who holds a doctorate in educational leadership, said the committee will be composed of representatives from various University constituencies who are believed to be familiar with the nature and functions of the student affairs division. Special attention will be given to representation by women and minority groups.

He expects committee members to be named within the next week, with the first committee meeting planned for the week of Feb. 17.

A national search, coordinated with the University's Office of Affirmative Action and Cultural Diversity, will be conducted and applications from women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are being encouraged. Screening of candidates should begin March 22.

The committee's goal will be to coordinate selection of finalists by March 30, conduct on-campus interviews during April, and provide their recommendation to President Jorns before the end of May. It is hoped that the new vice president will be in place by Sept. 1, for the fall semester.