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**State Board of Regents Appoint
Interim President of Salt Lake Community College**
Appointment of Search Committees for SLCC & DSU Also Authorized

EPHRAIM, UT – At its meeting held today on the campus of Snow College, the State Board of Regents appointed Dr. Denece Huftalin as the Interim President of Salt Lake Community College, effective January 1, 2014. Dr. Huftalin will take the place of outgoing SLCC president Cynthia Bioteau, who has accepted a position as president of Florida State College at Jacksonville. The Board of Regents will soon launch a national presidential search. Dr. Huftalin, who has worked at Salt Lake Community College for more than two decades, will serve until a new president of SLCC is selected and takes office.

“The Board and the SLCC community are fortunate that Dr. Huftalin is willing to step into the role of interim president,” said Board of Regents Chair, Bonnie Jean Beesley. “Dr. Huftalin’s years of service to Salt Lake Community College, along with her administrative capabilities and commitment to students will provide a steady hand during the transition on campus that inevitably occurs during a college presidential search.”

Dr. Denece G. Huftalin is currently the Vice President for Student Services at Salt Lake Community College and has served its students for more than two decades. Dr. Huftalin joined SLCC in 1992 as the Director of Academic and Career Advising and was named Dean of Students in 1994. In addition to working with students, she has worked in collaboration with faculty to strengthen learning communities, the first year experience, learning outcomes and inclusivity initiatives on campus. Dr. Huftalin became Vice President of Student Services in 2004.

In addition to her role at SLCC, Dr. Huftalin teaches in the Education, Leadership and Policy program at the University of Utah and was recently elected Regional Director for the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), the leading Student Affairs association. She currently serves as a board member for the Utah YWCA and previously served on the Utah Arts Festival Board.

Dr. Huftalin earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah, a master's degree in Education from the University of California, Los Angeles and a doctorate in Education, Leadership and Policy from the University of Utah.

In other business, the Board of Regents authorized the appointment of search committees for the next presidents of Salt Lake Community College and Dixie State University. Dixie State president Stephen Nadauld, who announced his retirement in October, will remain as president until that search process is complete. Regent France Davis will lead the SLCC search committee and Regent Wilford Clyde will lead the DSU search committee. Both search committees will be comprised of representatives from the Board of Regents, trustees, faculty, staff, students, and alumni of SLCC and DSU, respectively, as well as community members from throughout their regions of the state.

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