

September 15, 2014

Daemen College Faculty and Staff

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are experiencing a pleasant and productive beginning of the academic year and are enjoying the good weather while it lasts.

I am delighted to report that following a national search we have appointed Mr. Richard Schott to serve as our Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer. Rick has nearly twenty years of experience in higher education financial management, both in public and private institutions. As the College's chief financial officer, Schott will be responsible for the financial integrity of Daemen and will provide stewardship over facilities operations, financial aid, and human resources.

Currently, Schott serves as associate vice president for finance at Erie Community College and previously served as director of finance and administration at Medaille College. Prior to this, he served as vice president of finance at Shur-Line, Inc., and as an audit manager at Lumsden and McCormick, CPAs. He earned a master's degree in business administration from Medaille and a bachelor's degree in accounting from Canisius College.

We are delighted to attract someone as experienced and talented as Rick to serve in this vital role. He was a standout among an exemplary slate of candidates. He will begin at Daemen in early October. Please help me welcome him to our family. His email address is schott@ecc.edu

Please also help me thank the members of the search committee. They conducted a first-rate national search: Lisa Arida, Amanda Best (student), Kelly Duran, Laura Edsberg, Michele Flint, Sue Girard, Linda Koller, Bobby Mills (chair), Mike Morgan, Yolanda Morris, Doris Murphy (administrative staff), and Don Phillips. Thanks to them all, we have an exceptional new vice president.

Cordially,

Sary A. Olson
President