



BOARD APPROVED
June 11, 2021

Janice Indrutz
Corporate Secretary

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR WILLIAM G. MCCARTNEY

WHEREAS, Dr. William G. (Gerry) McCartney served Purdue University from 1988 to 1993 and from 2004 to 2021, holding positions with the Purdue Computing Center and the Krannert School of Management prior to his tenure as Purdue's chief information officer from 2007 to 2018 and appointment as executive vice president for Purdue Online in 2018; and

WHEREAS, everyone at Purdue has benefited from Dr. McCartney's efforts and the partnerships he has built, as well as his expertise and good-humored support; and

WHEREAS, Gerry is credited for his vision in the launch of Purdue Online, the online education initiative adopted as one of the Purdue Moves, with the goal of systematically developing and growing a coordinated, unified system-wide portfolio of offerings from Purdue's physical campuses and from Purdue Global that serves all types of students; and

WHEREAS, online degrees from across the Purdue system provide access to world-renowned faculty and top-quality curriculum in a convenient, flexible format – designed to help students gain knowledge and experience that can take their career to the next level; and

WHEREAS, as chief information officer, his role was expanded in 2013 to include responsibility for the Office of Institutional Research, Assessment and Effectiveness, and oversight of information technology at the regional and West Lafayette campuses; and

WHEREAS, Gerry earned the CIO Enterprise Value Award in 2003, the 2013 Global Leader in IT Value Award and the 2015 Computerworld Premier 100 Award; and

WHEREAS, under Gerry's leadership, Purdue developed the nation's largest cyberinfrastructure for research, with multiple supercomputers listed in the internationally known Top 500 list, and established some of the nation's most advanced learning and classroom technologies, including Forecast and Hotseat; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Gerry provided oversight to a campus-wide restructuring of the information technology resources used by the nearly 15,000 faculty and staff on campus; and

WHEREAS, Gerry holds tenure at the rank of professor in the Purdue Polytechnic Institute and is the inaugural recipient of the Olga Oesterle England Professorship of Information Technology; and

WHEREAS, before becoming chief information officer, Gerry served two years as assistant dean of technology for Krannert, where he taught in the MBA, executive MBA and engineering management programs; and

WHEREAS, Gerry was manager of user services at the Purdue Computing Center from 1988 to 1990 and director of the Krannert Computing Center from 1990 to 1993; and

WHEREAS, from 1993 to 2004 Gerry was associate dean and chief information officer at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School; and

WHEREAS, he has held managerial positions in the computing centers at both the University of Notre Dame and Maynooth College in Ireland; and

WHEREAS, Gerry holds a patent on a product providing authenticated access to Internet-based research and data services; and

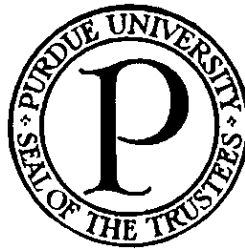
WHEREAS, he earned his doctorate in sociology and anthropology from Purdue in 1995;

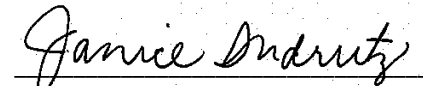
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

1. That the Trustees recognize the positive impact of Dr. William G. McCartney as chief information officer and executive vice president as well as other positions; and
2. That enormous gratitude and appreciation are expressed to Gerry for his loyalty and service to Purdue University; and
3. That Gerry is to be congratulated and thanked for his tremendous contributions to our University; and
4. That his achievements are part of the great, permanent history of Purdue and will never be forgotten; and
5. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Trustees as part of the permanent record of the University for all to witness.

JUNE 11, 2021


Michael R. Berghoff, Chairman




Janice A. Indrutz, Secretary