

POINT PARK UNIVERSITY

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Dr. Chris Brussalis elected interim president of Point Park University

PITTSBURGH, PA – Point Park University Board of Trustees elected Dr. Chris W. Brussalis to serve as interim president of Point Park University following the departure of President Don Green.

Brussalis currently serves as chairman of The Hill Group, Inc., a national management consulting firm and adjunct professor of management and policy at the Heinz College of Carnegie Mellon University. As an engaged scholar-practitioner for over 32 years, Brussalis has taught at the graduate level, provided advice and counsel to numerous colleges and universities, and served in higher education executive leadership roles. His teaching and research focus is on management, strategy and policy analysis. Additionally, Brussalis has provided counsel to many Fortune 500 corporations, large institutions, nonprofits and governments throughout his career.

“Dr. Brussalis is a proven leader with a substantial track record of transforming organizations. His passion for higher education as a professor, consultant, civic leader, and university trustee is remarkable,” said Joe Greco, Chair of the Board of Trustees. “Dr. Brussalis and his family will bring tremendous energy and excitement to the Point Park community.”

Brussalis has considerable experience in public service, having served on and led many local and national boards, including the American Society for Competitiveness, Live Like Lou Foundation, Point Park University, ALS Association, Leadership Pittsburgh, Regional Learning Alliance, Phi Delta Theta International Fraternity, Phi Delta Theta Foundation, Andrew Carnegie Free Library and Music Hall, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Small Business Council. Dr. Brussalis also managed the New Idea Factory in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, the largest economic development transition effort of a metropolitan region in the history of the United States at the time.

“I am humbled to lead one of the most dynamic, private urban universities in America,” Brussalis said. “We have some of the most dedicated and entrepreneurial faculty and staff in

higher education. I am looking forward to working with our team, our students, proud alumni, and community to accomplish great things for our students and region.”

Brussalis is a graduate of Leadership Pittsburgh, a network of regional leaders and decision makers. He holds a bachelor’s degree from Allegheny College, master’s degree in public and business administration from the University of Illinois, and doctorate in higher education administration from Northeastern University. Brussalis was selected as one of the Pittsburgh Business Times’ “Top 20 Changemakers,” Pittsburgh Business Times’ “Fast Trackers,” and Pittsburgh Magazine’s “40 Under 40.” He received a Blue Citation from Allegheny College for a lifetime of outstanding service to his alma mater. Brussalis also was selected by the Secretary of the Air Force as one of 100 distinguished American leaders to attend the 47th annual National Security Forum at the Air War College.

“There is no doubt that Dr. Brussalis will work tirelessly and effectively to advance the University and Pittsburgh region,” Greco said. “We are confident that Point Park will thrive under his proven leadership.”

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