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Point Park University welcomes two new members to Board of Trustees

PITTSBURGH, PA – Point Park University has welcomed two new members to the University's Board of Trustees. They are both serving three-year terms.

Rich A. Pegher graduated from Point Park in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration (Accounting). He would go on to earn a master's degree in Business Administration (Finance) from the University of Pittsburgh in 1986. He began his career as a staff auditor for Price Waterhouse & Co. in 1974, moving to TPC Communications in 1976 as corporate controller. In 1980, he began a 17-year run at Rockwell International Corp., spending eight years as Director of Special Investigations and two years as Director of Internal Audit. When Rockwell's automotive operations spun off in a publicly held, standalone business called Meritor Inc., Pegher became a Vice President and created an Internal Audit function for the new company, an industry segment-leading international truck and auto parts supplier. After leaving Meritor in 2006, Pegher was Vice President of Internal Audit for several large companies, including XM Satellite Radio Inc., The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., and TMS International LLC. He retired at the end of 2016.

Peggy A. Schiavone, Ed.D., a retired leader in the field of education, began her career as a K-12 special education teacher from 1982 to 1987 for the School District of Philadelphia. From 1987 to 1996, she was a secondary special education teacher at Strath Haven High School in Wallingford, Pa. In 1999, she joined the Pennsbury School District in Fallsington, Pa., and spent two decades as an elementary principal for the district, serving at Fallsington Elementary School, Penn Valley Elementary School and Quarry Hill Elementary School. She is experienced in many areas of education, including differentiated instruction, strategic planning, curriculum development, gifted education, school finances, special needs students and 21st century classrooms.

"It has always been important for Point Park University to maintain a Board of Trustees with expertise in a variety of professions. Richard and Peggy are the latest examples of that," said Paul Hennigan, president of Point Park University. "Richard's long and successful career in corporate finance, and Peggy's lifelong commitment to education will make them extremely valuable additions to a Board focused on academics, student experience, managed resources and community engagement."

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