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**IOWA PUBLIC RADIO ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT**

**Action Requested:** Approve Iowa Public Radio Board of Directors appointments.

**Executive Summary.** Currently, Iowa Public Radio has 10 board members. In the IPR Strategic Plan presented to the Board of Regents in 2014, IPR recommended adding up to four more community members in recognition of the growing need for private financial support for the network. IPR recently changed its by-laws to allow for four additional community members. As stated in the IPR by-laws, community members serve three-year terms. University members will retain the voting power outlined in the IPR by-laws – a unanimous vote of the university licensee representatives can approve or disapprove measures before the IPR Board.

In October 2015 (Agenda Item 4f), IPR requested the addition of three new IPR board members (Robert Downer, Zachary Mannheimer, and Marsha Ternus) and extending the terms for Douglas West and Steve Firman from one year to three years.

Due to the recent resignation of the University of Iowa's representative, Lin Larsen, Jeneane Beck has been proposed to serve as the University of Iowa representative.

Board Name	Rationale	Approved by Board of Regents	Last Appointed Representative	End of Term	Proposed Representative	New/Continued Term
Iowa Public Radio Board of Directors	BOR Policy 1.10	9/30/13	JoAnn Johnson	9/30/16	JoAnn Johnson	9/30/16
		9/30/13	Mary Kramer	9/30/16	Mary Kramer	9/30/16
		8/5/15	Douglas West	9/30/16	Douglas West	9/30/18
		8/5/15	Steve Firman	9/30/16	Steve Firman	9/30/18
					Robert Downer	9/30/18
					Zachary Mannheimer	9/30/18
					Marsha Ternus	9/30/18
		9/30/13	John McCarroll (ISU)	Open	John McCarroll (ISU)	Open
		2/6/14	Lin Larsen (SUI)	Open	<b>Jeneane Beck (SUI)</b>	Open
		2/6/14	Scott Ketelsen (UNI)	Open	Scott Ketelsen (UNI)	Open

**PROPOSED IPR BOARD MEMBER BIOGRAPHY**

**Jeneane Beck**

Ms. Beck joined the University of Iowa in December 2014. She most recently worked for the Iowa Board of Regents as the State Relations Officer at the University of Northern Iowa. Her work in public higher education followed nearly two decades as a reporter, 16 of those spent covering the Iowa Legislature. She began at the Statehouse for WHO radio in 1996 and then joined KUNI in 1999 which later merged into Iowa Public Radio. She was also a guest reporter on the Iowa Public Television program Iowa Press. She has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Iowa State University in Journalism and Mass Communication.

