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Galloway Twp., NJ- Philip T. Ellmore, Ph.D., has been named chief development officer and executive director of the College Foundation at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey. Ellmore comes to Stockton from Muhlenberg College in Allentown, PA, where he served as assistant vice president of development since 2004.

Ellmore was selected for the position following a nationwide search and began his duties at Stockton on Dec. 6.

“In Philip Ellmore, we have selected a chief development officer and executive director of the College Foundation with exceptional depth and breadth of experience,” President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., said. “Dr. Ellmore has a proven record of fundraising success which fits nicely with our plans to implement a comprehensive campaign.”

While at Muhlenberg, Ellmore was responsible for developing and executing a systematic program for major and planned gifts that resulted in doubling leadership-level giving. Muhlenberg’s comprehensive campaign raised $110.4 million against a $105 million goal.

At Stockton, Ellmore will report directly to President Saatkamp and will be responsible for all fundraising activities and alumni relations programs. He will oversee the institution’s first comprehensive campaign, and will serve as executive director of the College Foundation.

Prior to his time at Muhlenberg, Ellmore was vice president for advancement at North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, NC, and president of Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary Foundation (now Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University) where he was responsible for development, alumni relations, communications and public relations. Additionally, Ellmore was a member of the adjunct faculty at Eastern University’s School of Professional Studies as well as at Eastern Seminary where he taught such courses as organizational management, stewardship, grant writing and strategic planning.

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“Stockton is a wonderful institution with a very promising future,” Ellmore said. “I care deeply about the importance of higher education and believe our role in the Development Office and Foundation is two-fold: help as many students as possible to come to Stockton regardless of their financial need and help provide financial resources that will make Stockton an even better place. I look forward to working with Dr. Saatkamp, the Board of Trustees, Foundation Board, Development staff and the entire college community in helping Stockton continue on its current trajectory.”

Ellmore holds a Ph.D. in Leadership Studies and Organizational Behavior from the Union Institute and University, a Master’s of Divinity from Palmer Seminary and a B.A. from Alderson-Broaddus College.

Active in organizations that serve the development field, Ellmore co-chaired several conferences and was recently selected to co-chair the 2012 conference for college and university advancement professionals from New England and the Mid-Atlantic regions. He was recognized as 2010 Fundraising Executive of the Year by the Eastern PA Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Ellmore and his wife Trudy are relocating to Atlantic County and have two adult children living in the Philadelphia area.

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