

Statement from President Herman Saatkamp of Stockton University on Dr. Harvey Kesselman Becoming President of Univ. of Southern Maine

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Stockton University in Galloway, NJ today released the following statement by President Herman Saatkamp:

"Stockton University is very proud that our provost and executive vice president, Dr. Harvey Kesselman, has been chosen to be the next president of the University of Southern Maine.

"In his incredible career here, Dr. Kesselman has served as Dean of the School of Education; CEO of the Southern Regional Institute (SRI) and Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC); Interim Vice President for Administration and Finance; Vice President for Student Affairs; and a member of our faculty.

"He has had an impact on higher education by serving on numerous national and state boards and organizations. Four New Jersey governors have appointed him to represent the senior public colleges and universities on issues including accountability and outcomes, campus judicial affairs, student financial aid, and infusing technology into the curriculum. Dr. Kesselman served on the College and Career Readiness Task Force, established to define college and career readiness and assessment measures, including graduation requirements.

"He is the senior public college representative to the New Jersey Higher Education Assistance Authority (HESAA) and also serves on its Executive Committee. The authority is responsible for overseeing New Jersey's \$1 billion financial assistance program. He has served in statewide leadership roles in numerous other areas including affirmative action, Hispanic affairs and the Educational Opportunity Fund.

"Dr. Kesselman played a pivotal role on the Governor's Task Force for the NJ Stars program and was one of the primary authors of the legislation signed into law that improved the program.

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“Not only has he served Stockton in many leadership roles over the years, Dr. Kesselman is a Stockton graduate - Class of '79. His dedication to higher education and to the Stockton community over the years has made him a national figure in educational circles, and a Stockton icon.

“We are sorry to see him go, but pleased that he has this opportunity.

“Our gratitude and thanks go with Harvey as he embarks on this excellent new challenge and we wish Harvey and his wife, Lynne '82, a wonderful future.”

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