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Members of the Auburn Family:

We now have the opportunity to select the next member of the Auburn University Board of Trustees, a decision important to the State and every friend of the University. The Board of Trustees At-Large position currently occupied by Mr. Earlon McWhorter is available. This At-large position is open to anyone living in the continental United States.

Although there are few technical requirements to serve on the Board, as described below, the Trustee Selection Committee is looking for leaders who are forward-looking, service-oriented and dedicated to furthering Auburn's instruction, research and extension missions.

The process begins with a five-member Trustee Selection Committee, consisting of two members from the Board of Trustees, two members from the Auburn University Alumni Board and the Governor or his designee. This committee will nominate an individual for the open seat to the board. The Senate must still confirm the person nominated.

The members of the selection committee are:

Governor Bob Riley
Neil Christopher
Ralph Jordan
Paul Spina
To Be Determined¹

Alumni Board
Alumni Board
President Pro Tempore, Board of Trustees
AU Board of Trustees

Our goal is to select the very best and most capable individuals for the open board seat. We will continue to have an open and inclusive process involving all Auburn constituencies.

¹Mr. Paul Spina President Pro Tempore of the Board of Trustees will recommend Mr. Bobby Lowder to the Board of Trustees at their April 25 meeting.

Our aim in the search process is to cast the widest net possible for trustee candidates. We are asking all members of the Auburn Family and Auburn affiliate stakeholder groups to communicate this information to all interested individuals.

The only requirements to serve on the Board as specified by the Constitution of Alabama²:

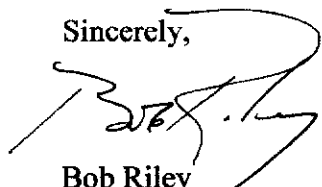
- * Must be a resident of the continental United States
- * Must be less than 70 years of age when appointed
- * Cannot be an employee of Auburn University
- * Cannot be a member of the Selection Committee

The committee will begin the process of interviews and finalize a selection as soon as possible following the submission due date. Please submit nominations and relevant information by Friday, May 2, 2008 (the Committee may accept nominations up until the interview dates) to the following address:

Auburn University Trustee Selection Committee
Attention: Grant Davis
105 Samford Hall
Auburn University, AL 36849

Choosing trustees to provide oversight for our University is essential to the future of Auburn University. We cannot accomplish our mission without your assistance in nominating qualified persons to this trustee position. Thank you in advance for your assistance in moving Auburn University forward.

Sincerely,



Bob Riley
Governor of Alabama

² www.auburn.edu/administration/trustees/policymanual/amendment_670.html