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## Convocation

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

3:00-6:00 p.m.

Ballroom, Smith Memorial Student Union, Room 355

### *Welcome*

Brad Hansen, Presiding Officer, Faculty Senate, and Professor, Music, College of the Arts

### *Introduction of the Research Faculty Excellence Award Recipients—2016*

Kevin Reynolds, Vice President, Finance and Administration

- **Daniel Ballhorn**, Assistant Professor, Biology, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—recipient of the Junior Faculty Research Excellence Award
- **Andrew Fountain**, Professor, Geology, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—recipient of the Senior Faculty Research Excellence Award
- **Meg Merrick**, Professor Emeritus—recipient of the Research Faculty Excellence Award

### *Introduction of the Foundation Excellence Award Recipients—2016*

Bill Boldt, President/CEO, PSU Foundation

- **Natan Meir**, Associate Professor of Judaic Studies & Program Chair, Judaic Studies, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—recipient of the PSU Foundation Philanthropic Cultivation Award
- **Robert Liebman**, Professor, Sociology, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—recipient of the PSU Foundation Philanthropic Leadership Award

### *Acknowledgement of New Faculty and Staff and Faculty Who Have Received Promotion and Tenure*

Sona K. Andrews, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

### *Introduction of the Excellence Award Recipients—2016*

Sona K. Andrews, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

- **Dundar Kocaoglu**, Founding Chair and Professor, Engineering & Technology Management, Engineering & Computer Science, Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science—recipient of the George C. Hoffmann Award for Faculty Excellence
- **Emily Ford**, Assistant Professor and Urban & Public Affairs Librarian, University Library—recipient of the Kenneth W. and Elsie W. Butler Award for Library Faculty Service
- **Becky Sanchez**, Director, Undergraduate Programs Office, Business Administration, School of Business Administration—recipient of the Mary H. Cumpston Award for Service to Students

### *President's Presentation: Leadership through Partnerships*

Wim Wiewel, President

***Campus reception in the Ballroom follows the program. Greet new and returning colleagues.***