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Dr. Stacy Barnes is a social gerontologist with 30 years of work experience in the field of aging. She has a master's degree in Gerontological Studies from Miami University in Oxford, OH, and a doctorate in Social Gerontology from Marquette University. She also completed a 1-year fellowship with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as part of its Primary Health Care Policy Fellowship program.

She Barnes has been employed by Marquette University since January of 2000. During her 16 years at Marquette, she has continuously lead the Wisconsin Geriatric Education Center, a statewide consortium dedicated to educating Wisconsin current and future healthcare workforce about geriatrics. She has been awarded a total of 19 grants during her tenure at Marquette, bringing more than \$11.3 Million to the university. Dr. Barnes' research focuses on how Alzheimer's disease and other late life dementias change family communication patterns. She teaches undergraduate and graduate level courses in the subjects of gerontology, evaluation, and interpersonal communication.

Prior to joining Marquette in 2000, Dr. Barnes worked with a variety of organizations in the aging network, including work at the local, regional, and national levels. Last year Dr. Barnes was elected by her peers to serve as President of both the National Association of Geriatric Education Centers, and the National Association for Geriatric Education. In addition, she was honored to serve as a national delegate to the 2015 White House Conference on Aging.

Dr. Gary Meyer, senior vice provost for faculty affairs at Marquette University. In this role, Dr. Meyer helps prepare faculty for a meaningful and successful tenure at Marquette University across the many roles they will take on as teachers, scholars, and university leaders. Dr. Meyer works closely with the Center for Teaching and Learning, which serves as a catalyst for promoting a culture of pedagogical excellence on campus. In addition to his responsibilities for faculty affairs, Dr. Meyer serves as Marquette's accreditation liaison officer to the Higher Learning Commission.

Dr. Meyer served as vice provost for undergraduate programs and teaching for five years before being named senior vice provost for faculty affairs in 2015. Meyer also previously served as associate dean in the Diederich College of Communication and director of the corporate communication major.

Dr. Meyer received the Outstanding New Teacher Award in 1999 from the Central States Communication Association, the Dean's Recognition Award for Outstanding Teaching in 2000, and the University Excellence in Teaching Award from Marquette University in 2002. He also received the Dean's Recognition Award for Outstanding Scholarship in 2005 and the Dean's Recognition Award for Outstanding Service in 2010.

Meyer has authored or co-authored two books and more than 25 journal articles and book chapters. *Effective Health Risk Messages: A Step-by-Step Guide*, was recognized as Distinguished Book of the Year in 2001 by the Applied Communication Division of the National Communication Association

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Susan Longhenry is the director of the Haggerty Museum of Art at Marquette University. She has published in the areas of museum education as well as in modern and contemporary art, and brings the combination of passion for art and the administrative and academic experience

She has curated exhibitions of modern and contemporary artists, including *An Enduring Appeal: The Taos Society of Artists*, and produced several catalogues and publications. She has presented at national and regional museum conferences, and she serves on the board of the Association of Academic Museums and Galleries as the Mountain Plains Regional representative. She has served on grant panels for the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Susan holds a master's degree in modern art history, theory and criticism from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, and a bachelor's degree in comparative literature from Indiana University.

Dr. Michael Lovell is the 24th president of Marquette University. He began his role as president on July 1, 2014. President Lovell is known for establishing powerful partnerships among academic, industrial and nonprofit sectors. His first year at Marquette was a continuation of those themes and saw the beginning of new initiatives:

- The Strategic Innovation Fund was established to unleash the pentup energy of faculty, staff and students through what amounts to a multimillion-dollar venture capital fund. It will support new ideas annually.
- Business and community leaders in Marquette's immediate neighborhood were brought together to create the Near West Side Partners, a nonprofit focused on strengthening economic development, housing, neighborhood identity and safety.
- The university committed itself to become the last major tenant of the Global Water Center, joining existing corporations, emerging companies and other universities to work on solving the world's water-related challenges.
- Land acquisitions were made southeast of campus to provide space for the Athletic Performance and Research Center, which will be constructed in the next few years. A portion of the center will be cooperatively designed, built and operated with the Milwaukee Bucks.

President Lovell serves on a variety of boards, including the Mid-West Energy Research Consortium, BizStarts Milwaukee, the Center for International Health, the Milwaukee Educational Partnership, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, the Water Council and Scale Up Milwaukee, and on the executive committee of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities. In addition, he serves as co-chair of the Greater Milwaukee Foundation's Milwaukee Succeeds initiative and is a member of the Greater Milwaukee Committee and Innovation in Milwaukee boards.

President Lovell holds three academic degrees in mechanical engineering, including a doctorate, from the University of Pittsburgh. Immediately before assuming the Marquette presidency, he served as chancellor of the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee from 2011–14. He earlier held faculty positions at the University of Pittsburgh and University of Kentucky.

President Lovell, his wife Amy and their four children are active members of Holy Family Parish in Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin.