## Southern Illinois University – Board of Trustees

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## **ANNUAL EVALUATION LETTER**

September 11, 2019

Kevin Dorsey Interim President

Dr. Dorsey,

I have reviewed your Presidential Goals for FY2019, which were ambitious and challenging. The SIU System was coming off several years of legislative budget impasses coupled with the separation of our former president which made your task of not only holding the System together but moving it forward extremely difficult.

I can say, without hesitation, that your stewardship of the SIU System over the past year has brought unity, cooperation, and collaboration between each of the campuses. You were dealt a difficult hand when you became Interim President and the task didn't get any easier with the unexpected death of our chancellor. For a few months you performed the duties of both SIUC Chancellor and SIU System President until Interim Chancellor John Dunn was hired. You worked with the Board and campus CEOs to maintain a positive image for all of SIU in the media and community.

Your efforts in working with the Governor's Office, legislature, and Board of Higher Education were of particular importance that resulted in increased funding for our University as well as approval of several new academic programs. You oversaw the review by AGB for both the best management practice and fund allocation studies that will improve the efficiency of the System as well as outline a fair implementation of fund allocation between the campuses.

As Interim President you have prepared the SIU System to recruit a well-qualified, highly-qualified individual as our next system president. As you transition out of your role as Interim President, on behalf of the Board, I want to thank you for your commitment, dedication and leadership during these challenging times in higher education.

J. Phil Gilbert

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

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The signature below indicates the employee has had an opportunity to review this annual evaluation letter. The employee should feel free to attach to this letter any written response which is necessary for further explanation or detail.

Employee Signature September 18, 2019

Date