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**Patricia E. Beeson**  
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Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to announce that Lawrence Feick, Vice Provost for Special Projects, has accepted my offer to serve as the interim President of the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford and at Titusville. His appointment will begin on July 1 and continue until a permanent President is in place.

After earning his BA and MS degrees from the University of Delaware and PhD at Penn State, Larry joined the faculty of the Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business in 1982, where he rose through the ranks to Professor. During his time at the Katz School he served as Associate Dean, Director of the School's International Business Center, and Interim Dean. In those roles, he was instrumental in the establishment of the College of Business Administration and new master's degree programs. From 2007–2015, he served as the University's Senior Director of International Programs and Director of the University Center for International Studies (UCIS), leading a transformation of the University's study abroad offerings focused on the development of faculty-led programs. His work at UCIS was central in the development of Pitt's joint engineering institute with Sichuan University. He was also responsible for the creation of Plus3, a joint business and engineering program that received the 2005 Andrew Heiskell Award for excellence and innovation in international education.

Since leaving UCIS in 2015, Larry has been engaged in a number of special projects across the University. Over the last 16 months, much of that work has focused on our regional campuses. Along with President Alexander, he has been the principal architect of the education and training hub model for the Titusville campus, working closely with faculty and staff on that campus and the community in Titusville. He has served as the provost liaison to all four regional campuses and chaired the search for the Bradford/Titusville President.

Despite a career that includes many years of fulltime administration, Larry has remained active in research, primarily on word-of-mouth influence and the analysis of categorical data. His work has nearly 8,000 Google Scholar citations. He also continues to teach, leading a study abroad group to Germany next month.

I look forward to working with Larry in this new role. If you are interested in contacting him, he can be reached at [feick@pitt.edu](mailto:feick@pitt.edu).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia E. Beeson".

Patricia E. Beeson