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Board of Trustees Selects New UVI President

The University of the Virgin Islands Board of Trustees has selected Dr. David Hall as the next president of the University. The Board approved a five-year contract for Dr. Hall beginning Aug. 1, 2009.

Dr. Hall will succeed Dr. LaVerne E. Ragster, who has served as UVI president since 2002.

A professor of law at Northeastern University School of Law, Dr. Hall has had a career as an administrator in the law school and the university. He was appointed provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs at Northeastern University in July of 1998 and served in that capacity until July 2002.



Dr. David Hall

Dr. Hall held the positions of associate dean of Academic Affairs and later dean of Northeastern's law school and had previously been a tenured professor at the law schools of the University of Mississippi and the University of Oklahoma.

Dr. Hall holds both a doctorate of juridical science and LL.M. degree from Harvard Law School, a J.D. and M.A. from the University of Oklahoma and a B.A. from Kansas State University.

Board Chair Alexander Moorhead said. "He is eminently qualified for the position," "He has a deep

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Carice Glasgow Makes History as Miss UVI

In a history-making pageant, UVI sophomore Carice Glasgow was crowned Miss UVI 2009-2010 at the Miss UVI Ambassadorial Competition held on March 28, on the St. Croix campus. Glasgow's win marked the first time that a student enrolled on the St. Croix campus won the Miss UVI title. She also walked away with the titles of Miss Photogenic, Miss Intellect, Best Performing Talent, Best Ambassadorial Presentation and Best Evening Wear.



Carice Glasgow

"Right now I think I'm still in a state of shock," Glasgow said two days after the competition. Glasgow explained that her preparation for the pageant began late, because of other commitments – including being a resident assistant in the dorms and her course load of 18 credit hours. She attributed much of her success to her coach Jamal Drummond. Being relaxed during the competition also paid off for Glasgow. "For some reason on Saturday, I was really calm," Glasgow said. "In the end it worked out well."

Glasgow will serve as an ambassador for UVI – participating in UVI's recruitment efforts and being visible in the UVI and general community. She will receive a scholarship that covers full tuition for the Spring and Fall semesters, a Mary Kay gift basket, two round-trip tickets on Seaborne Airlines, a two-night stay at Marriott French-

man's Reef and Morning Star Beach Resort, a \$100 gift certificate to the UVI Bookstore and a gift certificate to Indulgence Spa.

A computer science major, Glasgow is also a member of the Psychology Club, Math Boosters, the Travel Club and the UVI Bucs Dance Squad.

The competition's first runner up was JaeDee Caines. The second runner up was Christina Clement, who also won the titles of Most Popular and Miss Congeniality.

A standing-room only crowd attended the pageant at the Cafetorium on UVI's St. Croix campus.

Events Calendar

April 4	Miss CYFAR Pageant	STT
April 5	Gov. Cyril King Luncheon	STT
April 10-12	Margaret Mead Film Festival	STT
April 11	UVI Choir Spring Concert	STT
April 11	Family Series at Reichhold	STT
April 15	Student Employee Awards	STT
April 16	Annual Service Awards	STT
April 17	Annual Service Awards	STX
April 23	Conference on Autism	STT
April 24	Conference on Autism	STX

UVI Celebrates 47 Years with Charter Month Activities



The University of the Virgin Islands community celebrated the school's 47th anniversary with many activities during the month of March. Pictured left to right: UVI employee Lois Rivera pins Afternoon on the Green Founding Chairperson Sonia Waters at the 20th Annual Afternoon on the Green; UVI President Dr. LaVerne E. Ragster receives a plaque at the March 16, Charter Day Ceremony from event chairperson Dr. Patricia Harkins-Pierre; humanitarian and physician Dr. David Walton lectures during the Alfred O. Heath Lecture Series.

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interest in the University and we look forward to a long and mutually rewarding relationship.”

In a Jan. 28 meeting with staff on the UVI St. Thomas campus, Dr. Hall said he wants to be the president of UVI because the institution has values that are the same as his. He said he embraces the University's first value – “Students First.”

“I believe in my heart I have what UVI needs,” Dr. Hall said. UVI has the potential to move forward to the next level, he added. “You only get to that next level through sound management and inspirational leadership.” Leadership is very different from management and involves creating a sense of vision and mission, he said. Leaders should not overlook the work of employees. “You don't work for me, but we work together,” he said at the meeting. “Each one of us has the same desire to be an equal part of the institution.”

Dr. Hall will meet challenges. Staff in attendance at the Jan. 28 meeting said their number one concern was compensation. Other concerns from staff included morale, staff empowerment, shared governance and increased and improved resources.

In January, Dr. Hall and Dr. Calvin Jamison, the other finalist for president, met with students, faculty, staff and alumni on the St. Thomas and St. Croix campuses.

The presidential search was conducted by a 15-member Search Committee appointed by the UVI Board of Trustees.

Isaacson Miller, a national executive search firm, was retained by the Board to assist the Search Committee in recruiting and screening candidates for the position.

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