June 28, 2023

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Anne D’Alleva, Ph.D.
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

RE: Appointment of Professor Robert Day to the Robert Cizik Professorship in Manufacturing and Technology Management in the School of Business

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees appoint Professor Robert Day to the Robert Cizik Professorship in Manufacturing and Technology Management in the School of Business for the period of June 30, 2023, through August 24, 2026.

BACKGROUND:

The Robert Cizik Professorship in Manufacturing and Technology Management in the School of Business was established to support a professor who is nationally and internationally eminent in manufacturing and technology who will foster leadership development, educate manufacturing professionals with engineering and business skills as well as collect a cohort of multi-disciplinary faculty to advance the Connecticut region as leaders in global manufacturing competitiveness. The decision to recommend this appointment was made following the School of Business policy; Dean Elliott is making his recommendation based on consultation with the associate deans and department heads in the School of Business.

Professor Day joined the UConn faculty in 2004 and was promoted to the rank of Professor in 2020. His research examines auctions, combinatorial (package) auctions, airport landing-slot auctions, bidding languages, core allocations, matching and allocation problems, healthcare management, operations research, mathematical programming, and optimization. His research has been published in many leading academic journals, which include Management Science, Production and Operations Management, Operation Research, and Decision Support Systems. He serves as the President of Institute for Operations Research and Management Sciences’ (INFORMS) Section of Auctions and Market Design and has won several best paper, service and teaching awards throughout his career including the INFORMS Computing Society Prize in 2008 and the Dantzig Dissertation Award in 2005.

In addition to research, Professor Day served as the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Programs in the School of Business and teaches operations management and project management to undergraduate, masters, and Ph.D. level students.