SRU to welcome second of five candidates for president Feb. 12-13

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SLIPPERY ROCK, Pa. – The Slippery Rock University Presidential Search Committee will welcome Matthew Liao-Troth, the second of five candidates for president of the University, Feb. 12-13.

Liao-Troth joined Hawai'i Pacific University as its first-ever provost July 15, 2013, overseeing the divisions of academic and student affairs for the university. He also maintains a faculty appointment in public administration.

Liao-Troth was previously the dean of the J. Whitney Bunting College of Business at Georgia College & State University. While there, he also served as interim provost and vice president of academic affairs. He is an emeritus professor of management at Western Washington University, where he was chair of the Department of Management and director of graduate business programs in the College of Business & Economics and served as faculty senate president.

He has served as an assistant professor of public service management (1998-2002) and director of the American Humanics Program (1999-2000) at DePaul University; and as a visiting assistant professor of organizational behavior at Washington University in St. Louis (2000-02).

Prior to his work in academia, Liao-Troth served as a division executive with Boy Scouts of America. His research interests have primarily focused on management of nonprofit organizations. His book, "Challenges in Volunteer Management," has been widely adopted as a textbook for graduate programs in nonprofit management."

Liao-Troth earned a bachelor's degree in American Studies from the University of California at Santa Cruz; an MBA from San Diego State University; a master's degree in management and policy from The University of Arizona; and a Ph.D. in management from UA.

Each candidate will visit campus the week of Feb. 12 for public interviews with students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni and community members.

In addition to Liao-Troth, other candidates invited for campus interviews for the remainder of the week:

-**William Behre**, provost, Georgian Court University, Lakewood, New Jersey. Behre will interview Feb. 13-14.
-**James Strong**, professor of marketing, College of Business, California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock, California. Strong will interview Feb. 14-15.

-**Rodney Hanley**, provost and vice president of academic affairs, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. Hanley will interview Feb. 15-16.

Candidate CVs will be available in advance of their interview on this page via a link beneath each candidate's photo.

People will have 24 hours following each interview to provide feedback to the Search Committee via an electronic survey managed by the search firm. Those surveys will be accessible via a "Provide feedback" link that will also appear beneath each candidate's photo on this page.

The Search Committee will meet Feb. 19 for the purpose of selecting two candidates to recommend to SRU's council of trustees. The COT has scheduled a special meeting Feb. 23 to review the recommendations. If approved by the COT, those names will then be forwarded to Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education board of governors, who will interview the candidates and select the next president. The COT meeting is open to the public.

Day 1
The evening prior to the interview, candidates (including spouse/partner) will tour the president's residence; meet with the Academic and Student Affairs Executive Council; the Presidential Search Committee; and attend a reception at the president's residence.

Day 2

8-8:30 a.m.	300 Old Main	Breakfast w/president's staff
8:30-9:30 a.m.	304 Old Main	President's Council
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Alumni House	Non-faculty union leadership/staff
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Alumni House	Managers
11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.	Campus	Tour
12:45-1:45 p.m.	SSC 324/SSC 320*	Lunch with student leaders
2-3 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Faculty/APSCUF leadership
3:15-4:30 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Open campus forum
4:30-5:30 p.m.	SSC Theatre/Ballroom*	Open student session
7:30-9 p.m.	TBD	Dinner with Search Chair

(*Alternate location for Feb. 16)