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To All Faculty, Staff and Students:

I am delighted to announce that Dr. Sara Klein has been appointed Vice President for Student Affairs at Stevens Institute of Technology, effective Monday, July 25, 2022.

This appointment follows the reorganization of the Division of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, resulting in the creation of two new divisions — the Division of Enrollment Management and the Division of Student Affairs. The new Division of Student Affairs is charged with enhancing the student experience — for undergraduate, graduate, on-campus and online students — and the personal and professional success of our students, as articulated in the first goal of the 2032 Stevens Strategic Plan.

After a rigorous national search and significant input from the Stevens community, Dr. Klein emerged as the best candidate to meet these goals. As Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Klein will be responsible for the planning, management and operations of the Division of Student Affairs, as well as providing best-in-class student services and experiences. She will collaborate with the Provost and other members of the leadership team to strengthen the working relationship between the Division of Student Affairs and the Division of Academic Affairs as well as other university offices, to contribute to Stevens' advancement to higher levels of accomplishment and prominence.

Since 2015, Dr. Klein has led Student Affairs at Stevens as Assistant Vice President. During this time, her expertise, enthusiasm and unwavering dedication to our students have strengthened our community and improved student services. In collaboration with her colleagues across campus, Dr. Klein has spearheaded programs and initiatives that have directly benefited our students, including mental health initiatives that resulted in the 2022 Active Minds Healthy Campus Award to Stevens. Dr. Klein has played a pivotal leadership role — and continues to serve — as co-chair of the Pandemic Recovery Team, which monitors and recommends protocols to promote a safe and healthy campus.

Prior to joining Stevens, Dr. Klein held the post of Dean of Campus Life and Engagement at Wagner College in Staten Island, New York, where she directed the Division of Campus Life and developed the college's initial Title IX policy and protocol. She came to Wagner from New York University, where she was a Community Development Educator in the Office of Residential Education.

Dr. Klein holds a Ph.D. in Higher and Postsecondary Education and an M.A. in Higher Education Administration, both from NYU, and a B.A. in Psychology and Music from Washington University in St. Louis. She is an adjunct assistant professor in the Higher Education and Student Affairs master's program at NYU.

I look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Klein in her new role as Vice President of Student Affairs and am grateful to the Search Committee, chaired by Dr. David Zeng, Vice Provost for Academic Innovation and Faculty Affairs, and to all the members of the campus community who provided input in this search process. I also wish to extend my deep appreciation to Dr. Sara Klein for leading the Student Affairs team during the past year in her interim capacity.

Please join me in offering congratulations, cooperation and support to Dr. Klein in her new role as Vice President for Student Affairs as she undertakes her new responsibilities to achieve our shared goal to enhance our students' experience and success.

Per aspera ad astra,



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President

