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## **AURP Elects New President, Officers and Board Members**

**Tucson, Ariz., December 9, 2014** – The <u>Association of University</u> <u>Research Parks</u> (AURP) today announced the selection of Charles F. D'Agostino, MBA, Executive Director, Louisiana Business & Technology Center and Louisiana State University (LSU) Innovation Park, as President of its Board of Directors. AURP also announced the election of their new officers and board members.

"AURP plays a vital role in fostering collaboration between the university

and the private sector – and I look forward to leading the association in the year ahead as President of the Board," said D'Agostino.

Other newly-elected Board officers include:

- Greg Hyer, Associate Director, University Research Park, University of Wisconsin-Madison, as Vice President
- Mason Ailstock, Vice President of Business Development, Research Triangle Foundation, as Secretary
- Stephen A. Hanssen, Senior Director, Development, Wexford Science & Technology LLC, A BioMed Realty Company, as Treasurer

Newly-elected Board members include:

- Mason Ailstock, Vice President of Business Development, Research Triangle Foundation
- Kenneth M. Marcus, MBA, Director, University of Arizona Science and Technology Park; Chief Financial Officer, Campus Research Corporation
- Carol Stewart, Manager, David Johnston Research + Technology

Park, University of Waterloo

• Patrick Whalen, Chief Operating Officer, Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, Inc.

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## About AURP

The Association of University Research Parks is a professional association of university related research and science parks. AURP's mission is to foster innovation, commercialization and economic growth through university, industry and government partnerships. For more information, visit AURP's web site at <u>www.aurp.net</u> or contact Jolene Campbell at jolenecampbell@aurp.net.