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### **College of Saint Benedict President Mary Dana Hinton Chairs the Board of the Minnesota Private College Council and the Minnesota Private College Fund**

*Other board changes include four new members*

**ST. PAUL, July 20, 2017** — Mary Dana Hinton, Ph.D., president of the College of Saint Benedict, has been elected chair of the board of the Minnesota Private College Council and the Minnesota Private College Fund, effective July 1.

Hinton became the president of the College of Saint Benedict in 2014. She has been active on the Council's board as well as several others, including Minnesota Campus Compact, the Central Minnesota Community Foundation, the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, The Aspen Institute/Association of American Colleges and Universities Wye Seminars Advisory Council and the Women's College Coalition.

Hinton earned a Ph.D. in religion and religious education with high honors from Fordham University, a Master of Arts degree in clinical child psychology from the University of Kansas, Lawrence and a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Williams College. Prior to coming to the College of Saint Benedict, Hinton served as the vice president for academic affairs at Mount Saint Mary College, a Dominican college in New York.

*For more on Mary Dana Hinton and the College of Saint Benedict visit  
<https://www.csbsju.edu/about/college-of-saint-benedict/office-of-the-president>.*

#### **Other board changes**

Four new directors joined the board on July 1:

- Walter Chesley, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Hennepin County Medical Center;
- Ajay K. Gupta, Principal, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP;
- Jay Olson, Corporate Vice President and Treasurer, Cargill; and
- Angie Wordell, Director of Purchasing, Procurement - US and China Suzhou Operations, Graco Inc.

**Background**

The Minnesota Private College Council advocates on policy issues and serves members' shared needs. The Minnesota Private College Fund is a separate nonprofit that raises funds for need-based scholarships and operating support. The two nonprofits share the same board members and represent the same 17 nonprofit colleges and universities:

Augsburg College	Hamline University
Bethany Lutheran College	Macalester College
Bethel University	Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Carleton College	Saint John's University
College of Saint Benedict	Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
The College of St. Scholastica	St. Catherine University
Concordia College, Moorhead	St. Olaf College
Concordia University, St. Paul	University of St. Thomas
Gustavus Adolphus College	

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