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Hillsdale College Welcomes Three New Trustees to Its Board

Hillsdale, Mich. — Hillsdale College announces the addition of three new trustees to its board: Donna R. Ecton, Jessica A. Faubert, and William A. Nolan. The Board of Trustees has been in continuous operation for more than 175 years.

"Hillsdale College has been blessed by good and prudent leadership for many," said Rich Péwé, chief administrative officer of Hillsdale College and secretary to the Board. "We are glad to add the talents, principles, and experience of these new members to our Board."

Donna Ecton is chairman and CEO of EEI Inc., which she founded in 1998. EEI is a management consulting practice that provides private equity and sub-debt firms with due diligence and market/operational assessments of companies being considered for acquisition, turns around troubled portfolio companies, and serves as a mentor/coach for CEOs. Ecton has been a member of the board of directors of CVR GP, LLC, a nitrogen fertilizer business since March 2008, where she chairs the audit committee. She has served on other public company boards of directors and numerous privately held companies and non-profit organizations. She earned her MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and her BA in economics from Wellesley College.

Jessica Faubert is a philanthropist and president of the William S. and Ann Atherton Foundation. After graduating from Oklahoma State University in 1989, she assisted in the opening of Iguana Mia, a Mexican restaurant in Cape Coral, Florida, where she assisted in every start-up capacity, including payroll, marketing, sales, and other operations of the restaurant. While living in Florida, Faubert also co-owned and co-operated a start-up business that conceptualized and promoted the Booster Buddy children's booster seat, which was eventually sold to Koala Kare. Faubert is from Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she lives with her husband and two children.

William Nolan is the president of PBS Truck Parts and CommPar, LLC., heavy-duty aftermarket distributorships serving the Indiana and Michigan markets. He has been involved with these companies for most of his life. His current tenure began in October of 1984 when his father convinced him to leave Peat Marwick of Detroit and rejoin the family business. Nolan also serves as the chairman of VIPAR Heavy Duty. He has been chairman for 11 years and a board member for 27 years. VHD is a network of 120 companies in the United States, Canada, and

Mexico serving as a conduit for purchasing, technology, and business services to support its stockholders. He graduated from Hillsdale College in 1982.

Find headshots here.

About Hillsdale College

Hillsdale College is an independent liberal arts college located in southern Michigan. Founded in 1844, the College has built a national reputation through its classical liberal arts core curriculum and its principled refusal to accept federal or state taxpayer subsidies, even indirectly in the form of student grants or loans. It also conducts an outreach effort promoting civil and religious liberty, including a free monthly speech digest, *Imprimis*, with a circulation of more than 5.8 million. For more information, visit <u>hillsdale.edu</u>.

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