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National Association of United Methodist Foundations Announces Leadership Transition

The National Association of United Methodist Foundations (NAUMF) announces a change in board leadership as Sheri Meister, President/CEO of the Dakotas and Minnesota United Methodist Foundations, assumes the role of President of the NAUMF Board of Directors.

Dr. Phil Jamieson has served as the President of NAUMF for the past year and half, and served as the Vice President for the preceding three years. This transition of leadership follows Jamieson's departure from his position at the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF). According to NAUMF's bylaws, board members must be affiliated with a United Methodist foundation to remain eligible for officer roles. With Jamieson's transition from UMHEF, he is no longer eligible to serve as President of NAUMF. The NAUMF board expresses deep gratitude to Jamieson for his faithful leadership and years of dedicated service. His contributions have helped to shape NAUMF's vision and strengthen our connection as an association.

Sheri Meister brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to faith-based financial stewardship. She has been a longtime leader in the foundation space and currently leads the Dakotas and Minnesota Foundations, serving pastors, churches, and ministries across both the Dakotas and Minnesota Annual Conferences. Known for her vision, collaborative leadership, and strategic storytelling, Meister will help guide NAUMF in its mission to strengthen, support, and connect United Methodist foundations across the connection.

A new Vice President shall be elected by the association in the coming months.

NAUMF remains committed to equipping United Methodist foundations through peer connection, shared learning, and spiritual leadership as together we grow ministries of generosity.

The National Association of United Methodist Foundations is a network of United Methodist Foundations across America organized to help each other accomplish our goals related to stewardship, planned giving, and securing future funding of our United Methodist churches, agencies, and ministries. Along with investing opportunities, many of the constituent bodies offer church loans, grants, stewardship, leadership, and planned giving services. It is comprised of 47 member foundations who collectively manage over \$5.7 billion.