Foundation selects first Executive Director of Advancement Services

The University of Alaska Foundation has completed its search for a new executive director of advancement services. David Woodley, currently the foundation's Prospect Research and Management Director, has accepted the position.

Woodley is a 15-year employee of UA and an alumnus of the University of Alaska Anchorage with a baccalaureate degree in history. He has worked the last several years under the University of Alaska's institutional advancement umbrella at UAA and the UA Foundation in a variety of positions, gaining experience and leadership skills that will be essential in making the new executive director of advancement services a success.

Woodley will have direct oversight of the foundation's data maintenance and integrity, technical support and web development, policies and procedures, training functions, gift processing, and prospect research and management. He will also provide direction and leadership to the cross-MAU Advancement Services team of approximately 30 employees.

Consultants John Taylor and Charlie Hunsaker of RI Arlington aided this nation-wide search. Taylor and Hunsaker also recommended the creation of this position as the foundation commits towards improving the advancement services functions across the UA System.

Woodley will begin his new role Monday, August 18. The position will be located in Anchorage. A recruitment plan for a new prospect research and management position will be announced in the near future.

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