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THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES
ELECTION OF TWO BOARD MEMBERS

JANE PALMIERI AND CHRIS MCISAAC
JOIN 46-MEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Philadelphia, PA July 16, 2015 – The Franklin Institute has announced the election of two members to its Board of Trustees: Jane Palmieri and Chris McIsaac. Elected to serve a 3-year term, the new trustees join the now 46-member board that is considered to be one of the strongest non-profit boards in the region—both for its depth and diversity of talent and resources.

Jane Palmieri is business president of Dow Building & Construction at The Dow Chemical Company. Palmieri has held a variety of positions at Dow since 1995, including her previous role as the Global Business Director of Dow Solar, a business unit within the Energy Solutions portfolio of Dow. Palmieri is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) and the Society of Women Engineers (SWE). She earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic and State University. Dow is a longtime supporter of The Franklin Institute, specifically of the Institute’s prestigious Franklin Institute Awards Program and the established youth leadership program Partnerships for Achieving Careers in Technology and Science (PACTS). Dow has also been the Presenting Sponsor of the Philadelphia Science Festival since 2011.

Chris McIsaac is managing director of Planning and Development at Vanguard, one of the world’s largest investment management companies. McIsaac has held a number of leadership roles across Vanguard during his tenure, including heading Vanguard’s Institutional Asset Management group and Vanguard’s Portfolio Review department, which oversees Vanguard’s 29 external advisors. He earned a B.S. from St. Joseph's University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. Vanguard is a strong supporter of The Franklin Institute, which includes a generous commitment to the Institute’s most recent capital campaign, Inspire Science.

The Franklin Institute
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