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Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Announces New Officers for 2012-13 Academic Year

GREENVILLE, Pa. – **Brother Norman W. Hipps, O.S.B.**, president at Saint Vincent College, will serve as the chair of the Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Presidents' Council in the 2012-13 academic year, starting July 1, 2012. Hipps succeeds **Dr. Richard G. Jewell, J.D.**, president at Grove City College, who served as the chair of the PAC Presidents' Council in 2011-12.

Br. Norman, a Benedictine monk, became the 17th president of Saint Vincent College on July 1, 2010 after serving as the College's executive vice president, dean of the Herbert W. Boyer School of Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Computing and associate professor of mathematics.

Saint Vincent is America's first Benedictine college, a 164-year old Catholic college of the liberal arts and sciences sponsored by the Benedictine monks of Saint Vincent Archabbey.

A member of the Saint Vincent faculty since 1972, Br. Norman has also served in many administrative roles at the College, including Provost (1987-2002), Academic Dean (1980-1987), Director of the Opportunity Program (1978-1980), Campus Minister (1976-1978) and Director of Project Headway (1972-1974).

Br. Norman is a 1961 graduate of the former Saint Vincent Preparatory School. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Philosophy from Saint Vincent College in 1966 and did graduate studies in Theology at Saint Vincent Seminary from 1966 to 1969. He went on to earn a Master of Arts Degree in Mathematics in 1972 and a Ph.D. in Mathematics in 1976, both from Northwestern University.

With Br. Norman assuming the chair of the Presidents' Council, the other standing PAC councils will also be chaired by Saint Vincent representatives in the upcoming academic year. **Rev. Myron Kirsch, O.S.B.**, Saint Vincent's athletic director, will serve as the chair of the PAC Athletic Administrators (AA) Council, while assistant athletic director **Sue Hozak** will chair the PAC Senior Woman Administrators Council (SWAC) in 2012-13. The PAC Faculty Athletic Representatives Association (PAC FARA) will be chaired by **Dr. Rob DePasquale**, a professor of accounting at Saint Vincent.

The PAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) has elected senior women's soccer player **Hannah Shaner** of Washington & Jefferson College as president for 2012-13. Shaner also served as the PAC SAAC president in 2011-12. Saint Vincent junior men's soccer player **Aaron Wilkinson** will serve as PAC SAAC vice president in 2011-12.

Joe Onderko will continue to serve the PAC as its commissioner in 2012-13, beginning his seventh year directing the league and 12th year overall with the conference this fall. **Kevin Fenstermacher** will begin his first year as a member of the PAC staff this fall, assuming the newly-created role of Assistant Commissioner/Director of Communications after an 11-year career at conference member Thiel College.

Founded in 1955, the Presidents' Athletic Conference continues its mission of promoting intercollegiate athletics and the pursuit of academic excellence. Consisting of 10 select private institutions in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky, the PAC remains a unique organization in this day of high pressure intercollegiate athletics. With academics at the center of each member's philosophy, the PAC is built on the principle that an athletic program is a part of college life, but not an entity in itself. The PAC annually crowns champions in 19 sports (10 men, nine women).

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