

NCAA PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE SELECTS SEARCH CONSULTANT

INDIANAPOLIS---Parker Executive Search has been selected to assist the NCAA Executive Committee and its Presidential Search Committee in the search for the Association's fifth chief executive officer and successor to Myles Brand, who passed away in September.

The firm is headed by Dan Parker, who was one of the principals with Baker-Parker, the firm that assisted in the 2002 search that resulted in the hiring of Brand. Laurie Wilder, Senior Vice President and Managing Director for the firm, will join Parker in helping conduct the search.

"Parker Executive Search has emerged as one of the top search firms for executive positions in higher education and intercollegiate athletics over the last few years," said NCAA Executive Committee chair and Oregon State University President Ed Ray. "The firm, and its president Dan Parker, bring integrity, experience and a proven track record that is important to this effort. And Dan's familiarity with the Association from the last presidential search will be a plus, as well."

Ray said Parker Executive Search will begin reaching out to various constituents for input before the end of the year. He noted that the search process remains on schedule with the goal of having the new president in place by the beginning of the fall 2010 academic year.

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