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Sen. Nodler Successfully Sponsors Appointment of Dwight Douglas to the MSSC Board of Regents

JEFFERSON CITY -- State Sen. Gary Nodler, R-Joplin, has successfully sponsored the appointment of Dwight Douglas of Joplin to the Missouri Southern State College Board of Regents.

“Dwight has spent most of his life in Southwest Missouri and has been a community leader for many years,” said Sen. Nodler. “He will be a real asset to the board.”

A native of Neosho, Douglas is an attorney and is a member of the law firm of Douglas & Douglas. He serves as the corporate counsel for Freeman Neosho Hospital. He previously served on the Southwest Missouri State University Board of Trustees from 1981 to 1987, and was the board’s president from 1983 to 1985.

“I am confident that Dwight will do an outstanding job as a member of this board,” Nodler said. “He has both the education and the experience needed for this position.”

The Missouri Southern State College Board of Regents governs the Joplin college and is responsible for hiring the college president and reviewing his performance every year; clarifying the institution’s mission; approving the institution’s long-term mission and plans; preserving institutional independence; ensuring the institution’s financial solvency; and enhancing the college’s public image.

The governor makes appointments to state boards and commissions with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Senate Committee on gubernatorial appointments usually meets weekly during the legislative session. Their sponsoring senator presents each appointee to the committee.

Appointees must be approved by the committee and confirmed by the full Senate before taking the position on the board or the committee.

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