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PROJECT GRAD AKRON ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS FOR 2024-2025

Akron, OH, (June 18, 2024) - Project GRAD Akron, a leading organization dedicated to empowering students to achieve academic success and pursue higher education, held its Annual Meeting on May 8, 2024. During the meeting, elections were made to the Board of Directors, shaping the organization's leadership for the coming years.

The following individuals have been elected for an initial three-year term on the Board, effective from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2027:

- **Dr. Angela Brake, DPS**, Continuous Improvement & Robotic Process Automation Leader The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company
- **Barry Dunaway**, Retired Smucker's & Leadership Akron
- **Torey Stewart Tolson**, Community Involvement Consultant-OH Region FirstEnergy Corporation
- **Shanda-lyn Yaegar, GISP**, Assistant Professor Stark State College

Additionally, the following dedicated Board members have been re-elected for an additional three-year term:

- **Martin H. Belsky, Esq.**
- **Admin. Judge Bradley Dunn**
- **Diane Miller-Dawson**
- **Clarence Tucker**
- **Debbie Walsh**

Rolling off the Board of Directors is Dr. Cheryl Goliathi. Cheryl has served diligently for the past three years, contributing her time, expertise, and unwavering support to our committees and student-sponsored events. Her dedication has been invaluable to our organization's mission, and we are immensely grateful for her contribution.

Lastly, the organization is proud to announce its Officers for the 2024-2025 term, whose terms will begin on July 1, 2024: Maura Scanlon Bozzelli, Esq. is completing her second term as President of the Board of Directors. Maura's commitment, dedication, and tireless support of various student activities and fundraisers have been instrumental in advancing our initiatives

and empowering students. Its team extends its deepest gratitude for their exceptional service and invaluable contributions to our cause.

- **President:** Diane Miller-Dawson
- **President-Elect:** Ebony Yeboah-Amankwah, Esq.
- **Vice President:** Admin. Judge Bradley S.S. Dunn
- **Secretary:** Debbie Walsh
- **Treasurer:** Pamela R. Valentine

Project GRAD Akron is excited about the wealth of experience and dedication these individuals bring to the organization. Their collective expertise will undoubtedly propel Project GRAD Akron toward even greater achievements in supporting students in reaching their full potential.

For more information about Project GRAD Akron and its initiatives, please visit projectgradakron.org.

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About Project GRAD Akron: Project GRAD Akron is a non-profit organization committed to providing students with the resources and support they need to excel academically, pursue higher education, and achieve their dreams. Through partnerships with schools, communities, and businesses, Project GRAD Akron aims to empower students and build a brighter future for all.