

## College of Architecture, Art, and Planning Dean Search – Update #1

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**To:** AAP Faculty, Staff, Students, & Alumni  
**From:** Biddy Martin  
**Subject:** Search for a new Dean of the College – FIRST UPDATE  
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As you know, Dean Mohsen Mostafavi will be leaving at the end of the semester to assume the deanship at Harvard's Graduate School of Design. Associate Dean Stan Taft has graciously agreed to serve as interim dean as the search is being conducted. I am writing to give you an update on the early phases of that search process.

Vice Provost John Siliciano will chair the search committee. In addition, I have engaged the executive search firm of Spencer Stuart to assist us in this endeavor. Jennifer Bol and Anne Coyle from Spencer Stuart will be working with us. Michael Matier, the Director of Institutional Research and Planning at Cornell, will help facilitate day-to-day operations of the search.

Based in large part on feedback and suggestions I have received, I have asked the following individuals to serve on the Search Committee:

Chair	John Siliciano, Vice Provost
College Faculty	Mark Cruvellier, Architecture
College Faculty	Milton Curry, Architecture
College Faculty	Patricia Phillips, Art
College Faculty	Kieran Donaghy, City and Regional Planning
College Faculty	Ann Forsyth, City and Regional Planning
Outside Faculty	Peter Trowbridge, Landscape Architecture
Academic Dean	Stewart Schwab, Dean of the School of Law
Alumnus	Bob Joy

This group will work with John Siliciano to help identify student and staff representatives to serve on the Search Committee. The Search Committee will be meeting soon with the consultants from Spencer Stuart to start their work. In addition, the consultants will also be meeting in the near future with the various college constituencies to discuss the search and the deanship.

I am fully committed to finding an outstanding individual to lead the College. We will do our best to keep you informed throughout the search both through the search web site and through periodic e-mail messages such as this one. The URL for the search website is:

<http://www.cornell.edu/provost/searches/aap>

Please send comments or questions throughout the process to the special mailbox we have established for the search:

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Sincerely,

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