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BOARD APPOINTS NEW PRESIDENT OF BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

The Idaho State Board of Education today named Dr. Marlene Tromp as the seventh president of Boise State University.

The Board approved a three-year contract for Dr. Tromp during a special Board meeting held by teleconference in the Stueckle Sky Center at Albertsons Stadium on the Boise State campus.

Dr. Tromp grew up in Green River, Wyoming. She currently serves as Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor at the University of California, Santa Cruz, a research university with over 18,000 students. Prior to her arrival at UC Santa Cruz, Dr. Tromp served in various administrative roles at Arizona State University including Vice Provost of the University's West Campus and Dean of ASU's New College of Interdisciplinary Studies. ASU is ranked as the most innovative school in the nation for the fourth consecutive year by U.S. News and World Report.

“Dr. Tromp has held leadership roles at two of the West’s top universities and now she will become president of a third one,” said Dr. Linda Clark, State Board Member and Boise State Screening Committee Chair. “Boise State’s momentum has been building for years and Dr. Tromp is the right person to continue that momentum and to build on it moving forward. It was clear in surveys after the candidates visited Boise State last month that Dr. Tromp was the campus

community's top pick. The Board shares their enthusiasm about Boise State's next president."

Tromp earned a Ph.D. in English at the University of Florida, her M.A. in English at the University of Wyoming, and a B.A. at Creighton University in Nebraska. She is a first-generation college graduate.

Dr. Marlene Tromp takes over at Boise State University on July 1, 2019. Her annual salary will be \$425,000. She will be the first female president in Boise State's history.

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