

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the Outstanding Service of JoAnn Atwell-Scrivner

WHEREAS, **JoAnn Atwell-Scrivner** has been an amazing part of Seattle Pacific University for 33 years as a women's volleyball coach and Associate Professor of Health and Human Performance;

WHEREAS, she came to SPU in 1986 as the coach of the university's new women's volleyball team, and over 13 years building the Falcons squad from scratch into the best Division II program in the Northwest, where in her final six seasons winning 68 percent of its matches and posting four 20-win seasons;

WHEREAS, in 1998 she was inducted into the prestigious Willamette University Athletic Hall of Fame and, along with her husband Rich, who was inducted in 2018, are the only husband and wife duo to share this Willamette Bearcats honor;

WHEREAS, after her successful tenure as the Head Volleyball Coach, she transitioned to full-time academia at SPU, continuing to teach and taking the reigns as department chair of the Health and Human Performance Department and serving in that role for more than a decade, has helped redesign and implement major revisions to the HHP majors and minors;

WHEREAS, in addition to being an excellent teacher in the classroom, she has served on countless SPU committees, chairing many of them -- such as the Faculty Diversity Committee and the SPU Assessment Committee and was recognized with the Faculty Servant Award in 2017;

WHEREAS, she has been a steadfast wellness advocate since her arrival on campus, serving on the Wellness Committee that promotes healthy lifestyles for faculty, staff, and students, as well as managing the Lifetime Activity program that provides health and fitness-oriented courses for over 400 students per year;

WHEREAS, she is fluent in Spanish and adept at nurturing non-native English speaking students and has been a mentor to literally thousands of students -- many who view her as their "college mom." Her ability to relate to students from all walks of life, her empathy with those in need, and her passion to act is second to none;

WHEREAS, she is undoubtedly an advising guru for HHP and, arguably, the university, expertly assisting a transfer student to navigate the turbulent waters of Exercise Science degree requirements to be able to graduate on time; and

WHEREAS, she is not only an outstanding teammate, but an even better friend with an office door that is always open, as is her heart to those in need, epitomizing faith-based principles upon which this institution is founded and a true a blessing to SPU; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we thank and congratulate **JoAnn Atwell-Scrivner** for her years of dedicated service to Seattle Pacific University, and we extend our heartfelt appreciation for her innumerable contributions to the life and vitality of our community; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we now bestow on **JoAnn Atwell-Scrivner** the status of *EMERITA ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HEALTH AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE*, with all the rights and privileges accompanying such rank, yet understanding that no title nor honor can fully convey our lasting appreciation and knowledge of how richly she has deserved all that is in our power to bestow.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution has been adopted by the Seattle Pacific Board of Trustees this 22nd day of February, 2019.