1. **Annual Advisory Board Homecoming Meeting**

Our distinguished Advisory Board held its annual meeting on October 13-14, during which it focused on several key initiatives: using social media in recruiting students, increasing scholarship support, providing “foundational skills” workshops by alumni, and building our lifelong networking capabilities via LinkedIn.

Two panels of Board members also shared their experience and insights with all students in open forum exchanges about launching their careers and emerging HR and LR challenges. Highlighting the Board’s visit was our banquet attended by 150 students, faculty, staff and alumni during which we celebrated the Board’s many contributions, and recognized the donors and recipients of named scholarships.
2. **Congratulations to New Officers and Members Elected to the Board**

Replacing *Chris Fernandez* (General Manager of HR, Microsoft) as Board President is *Garry Randall* (SVP of HR, Walt Disney) and replacing *Steve Fitzgerald* (CHRO, Visteon) as Board Vice President is *Colleen Haley* (Group VP of Operations, Parker-Hannifin). Many thanks to Chris and Steve for their outstanding service!

Three SHRLR alumni have been elected to the Board:

- **Rob Rosenberg**  
  (EVP of HR, Supply Chain, DHL)

- **Brooke Yost**  
  (VP of HR, Power Systems, Eaton)

- **Jim Michaud**  
  (EVP, CHRO, Perrigo Company)

Our gratitude also goes out to three retiring Board members who have made lasting contributions to our Board and School.

- **Bill Fitzpatrick** (former VP of HR, Shell and Motiva Enterprises)

- **Dave Lilak** (former Director of Manufacturing HR, General Mills)

- **Ralph Polumbo** (former President, Albany Engineered Composites, Albany International)
3. **26 Named Scholarships Awarded to Incoming Students**

Thanks to many of our loyal alumni who have championed our School within their companies and other alumni making personal gifts, 26 of our new students received named corporate and alumni scholarships from the following companies and individual alumni:

Barry Brock
Coca-Cola
Eaton
Honeywell
Dennis & Tracey Liberson
PepsiCo
John & Susan Malanowski
Donna & Marvin Zischke

Boeing (3)
Dell
Ford
Johnson & Johnson
Marathon
Sferra-Robinson
UTC

Chevron
Dignity Health
GE
La-Z-Boy
Microsoft (3)
Shell
Walt Disney

4. **Kudos to Our Faculty**

Hard at work conducting and publishing their cutting-edge research in top journals, our faculty is becoming widely recognized as leading scholars in HR and LR. Indeed, several of our faculty members have received prestigious recognition awards over the last year.

- **Professor Dale Belman** – 2015 William Bowen Award from Princeton University for the best public policy book

- **Assistant Professor Jason Huang** – 2016 William Owens Scholarly Achievement Award from the Society of Industrial & Organizational Psychology

- **Assistant Professor Mevan Jayasinghe** – 2015 International Human Resource Management Scholarly Research Award from the Academy of Management
5. **Connecting Our Lifelong Network**

We invite you to stay connected by visiting, liking and following one or all of our School’s growing social media pages.

Facebook:  [https://www.facebook.com/hrlr.msu/](https://www.facebook.com/hrlr.msu/)
Twitter:  [https://twitter.com/MSUSHRLR](https://twitter.com/MSUSHRLR)
Instagram:  [https://www.instagram.com/msuhrlr/](https://www.instagram.com/msuhrlr/)

And please join us in saying thanks during the month of November, by taking a short (30 seconds or less) video on your phone sharing what makes you thankful to be a part of our School. Please email your video to Communications Director Melanie Zaremba at:  [mzaremba@msu.edu](mailto:mzaremba@msu.edu)

To view the wonderful #ThanksHRLR videos we have shared so far this month, please visit:


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