

Dr. Raymond Braun (Business PRT Chair)

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Ray Braun is completing his tenth year as Dean of the Allen W. and Carol M. Schmidthorst College of Business at Bowling Green State University. Prior to joining BGSU, he held various C-Suite positions in two publicly traded REITS including CEO, President, CFO, and COO. He began his career practicing transactional law and was a partner at a national law firm. Braun received his BSBA from BGSU and his JD from University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School.

Dr. Anne Balazs (Business PRT Member)

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Dr. Anne L. Balazs became the first female dean of the John B. and Lillian E. Neff College of Business and Innovation in 2018. She is an alumna of Smith College (A.B. Economics) and earned a Ph.D. in Business Administration from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Prior to her academic career, she worked at Fidelity Investments as a registered representative and assistant legal product manager. She has held faculty positions at the University of Oklahoma, Mississippi University for Women, and Eastern Michigan University, where she served as Department Chair of Marketing, Interim Dean of the College of Business, Interim AVP of Graduate Studies and President of EMU's Women in Philanthropy.

In 2013-14, she was an ACE Fellow at Bowling Green State University and the University of Toledo. She is a board member of the MidAmerican Business Deans Association and Toledo Regional Chamber of Commerce. Balazs currently is a member of the President's Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and a member of UToledo's Women and Philanthropy.

Her research on value congruency, elderly consumer behavior, health care advertising, and retailing has appeared in the *Journal of International Marketing*, *Journal of Consumer Affairs, Psychology & Marketing*, and the *Journal of Business Research* and has been funded by the Swedish Institute, the International Council of Shopping Centers, and the Richard D. Irwin Publishing Company.

Dr. Balazs is married to Peter B. Wood, Professor of Sociology and Criminology at Eastern Michigan University. They have three children: Margaret (22) currently a graduate student at Arizona State, Sophie (19), a sophomore at Michigan State, and Andrew (19), a sophomore at the University of Toledo. As a family, they enjoy golf, skiing, and travel.

Dr. Dick Williams (Accounting PRT Chair)

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Dr. Dick Williams has been a faculty member in the School of Accountancy at Missouri State University since 1990. He served 15 years as Director of the SOA. He returned full-time to the faculty in June 2020 and he will retire from the university in December of this year. He has served on numerous peer review teams and always enjoys the opportunity to visit other campuses and interact with faculty. He completed his PhD in accounting from the University of Mississippi, an MBA from the University of

Central Arkansas, and his undergraduate degree from the College of the Ozarks (Hard Work U). He holds a CPA license in Mississippi. He and his wife Debbie (42 years) have two sons and five grandchildren. Dick and Debbie live on a golf course and he (not her so much) loves to golf and does so every chance he gets. He and Debbie are supporters of Missouri State athletic teams, but are fanatical Lady Bear basketball supporters.

Dr. Susan Eldridge (Accounting PRT Member)

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Dr. Susan Eldridge is the Associate Dean for Faculty, Research and Planning in the College of Business Administration at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She served as Director of UNO's School of Accounting from 2009 through 2021. She is a results-oriented leader with 20+ years in academia focused on mission-driven and career-readiness strategic initiatives that integrate academic perspectives, practical applications, and collaborative partnerships. Her proven track record includes strategic planning and management; momentum-building innovation implementation; deliberative, data-driven decision-making; mission-advancing fundraising; and vision-inspired relationship-building with students, faculty, staff, administrators, employers, and other community partners. Professor Eldridge teaches a variety of financial accounting courses and has published research in Issues in Accounting Education, Ethics & Behavior, Review of Pacific Basin Financial Markets and Policies, and Journal of Accountancy, among others. Dr. Eldridge is a Certified Public Accountant (licensed in N.C.) and a member of the American Accounting Association, the American Institute of CPAs, Financial Executives International, and the Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance. Before entering academe, she was in public accounting and was a controller in the construction industry.

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Ms. Patricia Pryor is the Director for the Not for Profit and Higher Education Practice at Cherry Bekaert, LLP in Georgia. In this role which she has held for 14 years, she is responsible for leading financial and compliance audits for private colleges and universities as well as for public universities, not-for-profit and religious organizations.

She a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accounts, the Georgia Society of CPA's, the National Association of College and University Business Officers, and the Southern Association of College and University Business Officers. In addition to serving as an AACSB peer reviewer, Patricia also serves her community in numerous roles in support of education, women, and her profession.

Patricia has been married for over 30 years to her husband James. They have two sons Jamaal and Jared and her passion is continuous learning and education.