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Executive director leaving for Africa

February 18, 2014 - The Bennion Center announces that Linda Dunn, who is in her sixth year as Director of the Bennion Center, will be leaving the Bennion Center in late June. Linda and her husband Michael Dunn have been called to preside over a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Johannesburg, South Africa. They will begin their three years of service on July 1, 2014.

Linda leaves behind a strong legacy of service through her leadership. During her tenure, the Bennion Center has been able to secure additional funding, increase the visibility of service-learning (now community engaged learning), received Carnegie designation as an engaged campus, and initiate new collaborations across the campus and in the community.

The University of Utah will launch a national search for a new director beginning in February. The position will be posted online at employment.utah.edu.

The Lowell Bennion Community Service Center fosters lifelong service and civic participation by engaging the University of Utah with the greater community in action, change and learning. Founded in 1987, the Bennion Center provides opportunities for community engagement through direct volunteer work and service-learning opportunities. Approximately 8,000 students, staff, faculty and alumni provide more than 220,000 hours of service each year. The Bennion Center’s diverse programming ensures there is an opportunity for everyone to get involved.

For more information on Lowell L. Bennion or the Lowell Bennion Community Service Center, visit www.bennioncenter.org.