



Dr. Eric Barron Appointed to Kish Bancorp Board

STATE COLLEGE, PA – February 8, 2018 – William P. Hayes, Chairman, President and CEO of Kish Bancorp, Inc., has announced that Dr. Eric J. Barron has been appointed to the Kish Bancorp Board of Directors. Barron is the President of The Pennsylvania State University and a former president of Florida State University. Prior to Florida State, he served as dean of Penn State’s College of Earth and Mineral Sciences and founding director of the Earth System Science Center at Penn State, one of the first major initiatives in the country focused on the total study of Earth as a system.



In making the announcement, Hayes stated, “We are pleased to have Dr. Barron join our Board. He will bring vision and insight to the governance function of Kish Bancorp, as well as a demonstrated record of excellence in administration, education, research, and public service. As the leader of one of the country’s largest and most complex universities, Dr. Barron’s perspectives will be valuable as Kish implements an aggressive growth strategy and adopts the organizational, digital, and technological changes that will sustain the Corporation well into the future. We are also confident that Penn State’s elevated strategic focus on economic stimulus under Dr. Barron’s leadership will be especially valuable to Kish and the region. The Invent Penn State initiative and related entrepreneurial incubator programs will harness the important groundbreaking research at Penn State as it is translated into business investment, development, and new business creation.”

Barron stated, “Since returning to Penn State, I have been impressed by Kish’s emergence as a key regional banking leader with a stated objective of remaining close to the communities and clients it serves. I feel a clear alignment with Kish’s core values and priorities, and look forward to working with the board and executive team to help shape a strategic vision for the future of this promising and dynamic local company.”

An accomplished scientist, Barron has served as director of the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), dean of the Jackson School of Geosciences at the University of Texas at Austin, member of the director's advisory committee for the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, and chair of many other committees and boards, including the National Research Council and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). He is a Fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Geophysical Union, the American Meteorological Society, and the Geological Society of America, and has been the recipient of such awards as Penn State’s Wilson Award for Excellence in Teaching, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration’s (NASA) Distinguished Public Service Medal, and the Bridge Builders Leadership Award from the Martin Luther King Foundation of Florida.

Barron earned a Bachelor of Science degree in geology at Florida State and master’s and doctoral degrees in oceanography at the University of Miami. He and his wife, Molly, live in State College and have two grown children.

About Kish Bancorp, Inc.

Kish Bancorp, Inc. is a diversified financial services corporation headquartered in Belleville, PA, where it was founded in 1900, with executive offices in State College. Kish Bank, a subsidiary of Kish Bancorp, Inc., operates fifteen banking offices and financial centers in Centre, Huntingdon, and Mifflin counties. In addition to the commercial, retail and mortgage banking services offered through Kish Bank, other services include: property and casualty insurance through Kish Insurance, investment management services through Kish Financial Solutions, employee benefits consulting through Benefit Management Group, and travel services through Kish Travel. For additional information, please visit www.kishbank.com. KISB is the OTC stock ticker symbol for Kish Bancorp, Inc.