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Schuylkill Area Community Foundation regretfully announces that Eileen Kuperavage, the Foundation's Executive Director, will be leaving the Foundation to pursue other opportunities as the Director of Campus Development at Penn State Hazleton. "On behalf of the Board of Directors and myself, we are saddened to receive this announcement. Eileen has been an invaluable asset to SACF for the past ten years. We know the impact that she has had not only on the Foundation and its Endowment, but also on the Schuylkill County Community that the Foundation serves; it has been immeasurable. We all wish her well in her new endeavor. We will miss her greatly," stated Gary R. Glessner, SACF Board President.

Kuperavage has been employed by the Foundation since July 2006 as the Executive Director. She spent more than ten years providing leadership to the Foundation and was responsible for planning and managing the Foundation's programs and services. These duties included maintaining and attracting donors; increasing the gifts to expand the Foundation's assets; developing and maintaining relationships with local groups and nonprofit organizations that comprise the Foundation's assets; interacting with regional and national organizations to stimulate increased awareness of the Foundation; and encouraging measures to improve the quality of local philanthropy.

"I am extremely proud of the work of the Foundation under my leadership. I have established donor relationships, increased the number of endowment funds, and developed sustainable partnerships. Since 2006 the endowment grew from \$10.8 Million to \$19.6 Million as of April 30, 2017. This asset value represents a total of 162 charitable endowment funds that are managed by the Foundation. I also obtained grant funding to implement a new software system to increase financial operations and donor services," stated Kuperavage. "I am eager to enter the next phase of my professional career and support the development goals of Penn State."

The Board of Directors has established a search committee to find a replacement for the position of Executive Director. If you need immediate services or would like to inquire about making a donation, please contact Sharon Koszyk for more information at the Foundation office at 570-624-7223.

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