Eric W. Kaler  President  Dr. Eric Kaler was named the 16th president of the University of Minnesota in 2011. Previously, Kaler served as provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs and vice president for Brookhaven National Laboratory Affairs at Stony Brook University in New York. Kaler received his undergraduate degree from the California Institute of Technology and his Ph.D. in chemical engineering from the U of M.

Katrice Albert  VP, Office of Equity and Diversity Dr. Katrice Albert became vice president for Equity and Diversity in June 2013 where she leads the University’s access, equity, and diverse multicultural resources and programs. Albert previously served as the chief diversity officer at Louisiana State University.

Ann Aronson  Chief Marketing Officer/Deputy Chief of Staff Ann Aronson co-leads the Office of University Relations, the central communications and marketing enterprise at the university. She manages the University of Minnesota’s brand, overseeing client and creative services, digital communications, social media, and market research.

Lendley (Lynn) Black  Chancellor, UM Duluth Dr. Lendley (Lynn) Black began his tenure as chancellor of U of M Duluth in 2010. Black came to UMD from Kennesaw State University in Georgia, where he served as provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

Kathryn F. Brown  VP, Office of Human Resources The Office of Human Resources is responsible for system-wide human resource efforts including employee benefits, employee relations, operations, organizational effectiveness, and employee engagement, and works in partnership with human resources professionals in local units.

Erin Dady  Special Assistant to the President, Government & Community Relations Erin Dady joined the university in 2015 to advance the interests of the University system at the capitol in St. Paul, in Washington, D.C., and among University community partners and neighbors. Previously, she was chief of staff for St. Paul Mayor Coleman where she oversaw staff, operations, and initiatives, and advised the mayor on the city’s budget and 3,000 employees.

William Donohue  General Counsel William Donohue was appointed general counsel in 2013. He joined the office in 1982 as a litigation. From 1996 to 2013 he served as deputy general counsel and directed overall administration of the Office of the General Counsel.

Beth Goetz  Interim Athletic Director Beth Goetz was named Interim Athletics Director on Aug. 7, 2015, overseeing 25 sports, 300 staff members, and 725 student athletes. Goetz previously served as Deputy Athletics Director and Senior Woman Administrator. She came to Minnesota from Butler University, where, from 2008 to 2013, she was an associate athletic director.

Bernard Gulachek  Interim VP & CIO Bernard has served the University of Minnesota since 1986 in a variety of operational and strategic technology leadership roles. He is credited with leading many of the information technology services in use at the University today and for working effectively across this large enterprise to achieve both individual and institutional goals through the use of technologies.

Karen Hanson  Senior VP, Academic Affairs & Provost Karen Hanson joined the U of M in 2012 after serving as provost and executive vice president of Indiana University. She received her BA from the U of M and earned her master’s degree and Ph.D. from Harvard.

Brian Herman  VP, Research Dr. Herman was appointed vice president for research in 2013. Previously, he served as chancellor’s health fellow for collaboration and special assistant to the president, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Jay Brooks Jackson  Dean of the Medical School and VP for Health Sciences Dr. Brooks Jackson became dean of the Medical School and vice president for Health Sciences in 2014. Prior to his current role, Jackson was the director of Pathology at John’s Hopkins University School of Medicine.

Jacqueline Johnson  Chancellor, UM Morris Jacqueline Johnson was named chancellor of the U of M Morris in 2006. Previously, Johnson served as vice president for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty at Buena Vista University in Iowa.

Gail Klett  Associate VP, Internal Audits Gail Klett has served as the associate vice president of Internal Audit for the U of M since 1994. Prior to joining the University, she worked in a variety of audit management capacities in the financial services sector for 17 years.

Stephen Lehmkuhle  Chancellor, UM Rochester Dr. Lehmkuhle was appointed the first chancellor of U of M Rochester in 2007. In his role, he has led collaborative master planning efforts for the university and created innovative programs in healthcare and biomedical informatics.

Lisa Lewis  President & CEO, University of Minnesota Alumni Association Lisa Lewis was named President & CEO of the University of Minnesota Alumni Association in 2013. Previously, Lewis was the executive director of the University of Connecticut Alumni Association. She is an honors graduate of the University of South Florida in marketing and public relations.

Richard Pfutzenreuter  VP & CFO Richard Pfutzenreuter was appointed vice president of the University in 2004, having served as chief financial officer since 1998, and treasurer since 2000. He joined the U of M in 1992 after holding several positions with the State of Minnesota.

Amy Phenix  Chief of Staff Amy Phenix was appointed in 2011. She oversees several functions, including the Office of the President, athletics operations, University Relations, compliance, and the University Senate Office, and coordinates with the Board of Regents to advance the president’s agenda. She earned an MBA from the Carlson School of Management.

Kathleen Schmidlkofer  President & CEO, U of M Foundation Kathleen Schmidlkofer, MBA, was selected as President and CEO of the University of Minnesota Foundation in 2014. A graduate of the University’s Carlson School of Management, Schmidlkofer came to the foundation from Greater MSP.

Chuck Tombarge  Chief Public Relations Officer/Deputy Chief of Staff Chuck Tombarge co-leads the Office of University Relations. He manages public and media relations, and issues and crisis management. He previously managed the daily operations of the News Service, the University’s central media relations office.

Pamela Wheelock  VP, University Services Pamela Wheelock was named vice president for University Services in 2012. Before joining the University, she served as interim president and chief executive officer of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota and currently serves on its board of trustees.

Fred E. Wood  Chancellor, UM Crookston Dr. Wood was named chancellor in 2012 and serves as the chief executive officer for the UM Crookston campus. Previously, he was vice chancellor of Student Affairs at the University of California, Davis.