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M arvin C. Henberg, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty for 11 years, will guide Linfield College during the next several months after being named interim president by the Board of Trustees.

Henberg was appointed in May following a national search. He was not a candidate for the permanent position and will not be a candidate in the ongoing search. Henberg, who replaces retiring president Vivian A. Bull, will serve until a new president takes office sometime in 2006.

“The Board of Trustees is delighted to have a person of Marv Henberg’s caliber and experience lead Linfield College at this time,” said Glenn Kruger ’68, chair of the Board of Trustees, in announcing the appointment. “Dr. Henberg has a thorough understanding of all aspects of Linfield and will provide strong leadership to keep the college moving forward during this period of transition.”

Henberg said he looks forward to this opportunity. “I love Linfield and I am happy to serve while the college identifies a leader who is worthy of following Dr. Bull,” he said. “It is important that we build upon the college’s future growth and financial development.

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Henberg has played a major role in shaping the college’s present direction, including the adoption of a new general education curriculum in 1997. He served as chair of the Planning Council, which has developed a strategic agenda to help set priorities and guide the college’s future growth and financial development.

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Henberg taught at the University of Idaho from 1976 to 1994. He served as chair of the Department of Philosophy for six years and was the inaugural director of the University of Idaho honors program. He has earned numerous teaching awards throughout his career.

He is active in the McMinnville community and is past president of the McMinnville Kiwanis Club. He and his wife, Laurie, are outdoor enthusiasts.