TO: University of Maine Campus Community

FROM: Dick Thompson, CIO

DATE: August 2, 2016

RE: Leadership Changes in US:IT

It is with admiration that I announce to you that Associate CIO Cindy Mitchell has been named Chief Information Officer of Colby College in Waterville, Maine. Cindy has had an extraordinary career at the University of Maine System and her legacy of work has helped us achieve our goals and set new ones going forward. It is no wonder Colby recruited her for this important position. An extraordinary role for one of our very own. Please join me in congratulating her on this accomplishment.

While Cindy will be greatly missed, she leaves us with highly talented team members to carry on our mission with the benefit of her planning. To assure our continuity and commitment going forward, I am working with the US:IT leadership team to organize our next steps, both short term and for the long term.

As part of our short term plan, I have asked Robin Sherman to serve in a role, effective as of August 1, that will continue the type of service Cindy fostered with UMaine that facilitates communication, collaboration, and support between the UMaine community and US:IT. Robin is very excited about the opportunity to serve UMaine and US:IT in this new capacity. She will soon start reaching out to members of the campus community to introduce herself, further discuss her new role, and to continue the important work Cindy initiated.

Robin has been employed by the University of Maine System since 1998, when she started work with UMaine's Information Technology department. While at UMaine, Robin worked in a variety of capacities over the years, including providing guidance and support to UMaine faculty as a Faculty Development Specialist, managing the IT Help Center, and serving as the Administrator for the FirstClass email system, and the WebCT and Blackboard learning management systems. Robin also served on the UMaine Professional Employees Advisory Council (PEAC). In 2004, Robin transitioned from her position at UMaine to a position with the System Office where she served on the ERP Training Team during the PeopleSoft Financials and Campus Solutions implementations, and was eventually promoted to the Manager of Training. Additionally, Robin served as a Student Financials Business Analyst, a Senior Project Manager, and most recently as the Director of the IT Project Management Office.

Robin's office is located on the UMaine campus in the suite of offices at 220 Alumni Hall. Her phone number is 207-581-5401, and her email address is robin.sherman@maine.edu.