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## University of Hartford's Norman Young Elected to Board of Educational Facilities Organization

**August 3, 2015, Alexandria VA** – Norm Young, associate vice president of facilities planning and management at the University of Hartford, has been elected to serve as the vice president of information and research for APPA – Leadership in Educational Facilities, the leading industry association of facilities professionals at educational institutions.

As the vice president of information and research, Young will have general oversight of: all APPA publications to ensure professional content and direction; creation and dissemination of knowledge, including published articles authored by APPA members; and the APPA Body of Knowledge. He will begin his three-year term August 5 at APPA's annual conference in Chicago.

"I look forward to the opportunity to continue my service to APPA," said Young. "In my role as the vice president of information and research, I hope to lead APPA in an effort to expand and revitalize our research programs by mining critical topics that come out of our Thought Leaders, emerging professional, and senior professional symposia."

Young joined APPA's Information and Research Committee in 2007. During his time on the committee, Young led an initial effort to improve APPA's website, chaired the marketing and communications subcommittee, developed the "Why APPA" member value strategy, and currently is leading a team focused on revitalizing the APPA Center for Facilities Research (CFaR).

He has been a member of APPA for 27 years and has held leadership positions in both the Southern New England chapter (SNEAPP) and APPA's Eastern Region (ERAPP). He has received numerous certificates of appreciation from the chapter, regional, and international levels of APPA.

Young is an alumnus of the University of Hartford and has been employed there for more than 30 years. He is responsible for all facilities operations, planning and construction, and environmental health and safety for the 2.2 million square foot private institution located in West Hartford, Connecticut.

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