COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

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November 20, 2015

To: Debasish Dutta, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Diversity

From: Jeff Roberts, Frederick L. Hovde Dean

Re: Nomination of Dr. Wojciech Szpankowski for the Saul Rosen Distinguished Professor of Computer Science

I forward to you the nomination of Dr. Wojciech Szpankowski for the Saul Rosen Distinguished Professor of Computer Science. Dr. Szpankowski nomination has been endorsed by the Department, the College of Science’s Area Promotion Committee and a university committee of distinguished professors. A report from the university committee is attached, along with both an abbreviated vita and bio sketch plus letters from external referees.

Prof. Szpankowski, the Saul Rosen Professor of Computer Science, is an internationally recognized scientist who works in the cross-cutting area of information theory. In addition to countless important contributions to his field, Professor Szpankowski has dedicated himself to building an active and vibrant community of researchers that pushes the boundaries of information theory through his leadership of the NSF-funded Center for Science of Information. Advanced computational techniques are needed that can make sense of the massive amount of data being generated today. Professor Szpankowski’s contributions to this field not only move computing but will no doubt facilitate the creation of whole new areas of research and scholarship.

I most strongly endorse the nomination of Dr. Wojciech Szpankowski for the Saul Rosen Distinguished Professor of Computer Science

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

Debasish Dutta  Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Diversity  11-24-15

APPROVED:

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.  President  12/2/15
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To: Jeffrey T. Roberts, Frederick L. Hovde Dean of the College of Science

From: Ad hoc Committee of Distinguished Professors

The committee unanimously supports the case of Dr. Wojciech Szpankowski for the distinction of the Saul Rosen Distinguished Professor of Computer Science. His research has been impressive, deep, and influential. He has won many impressive awards, and his funding record is nothing short of stellar. He is most eminently deserving of this honor.

Mikhail Atallah – Distinguished Professor of Computer Science

Michael Ladisch
Michael Ladisch – Distinguished Professor Agricultural & Biological Engineering

Scott McLuckey – John A. Leighty Distinguished Professor of Analytical Chemistry

David Rolte – Edward M. Purcell Distinguished Professor of Physics and Astronomy

Freydoon Shahidi – Distinguished Professor of Mathematics