

## Examples of Trustee Op-Eds

Although there are many ways to lend your voice, trustees can impact conversations about higher education by authoring an op-ed for a local, regional, or national news outlet. Below are several examples of op-eds written by trustees and board members from across the country which vary across public and private sectors, large and small institutions, systems and coordinating boards.

### [Higher ed vital in ever-changing economy](#)

*The Cincinnati Enquirer*, August 31, 2018

By Deborah Platt Majoras, past chair of the Board of Trustees of Westminster College; member of the Guardians Initiative Leadership Group

### [A quality higher education stands the test of time](#)

*Arizona Capital Times*, August 20, 2018

By Ron Shoopman, chair of the Arizona Board of Regents

### [Higher education is America finds itself on a slippery slope](#)

*Roll Call*, June 18, 2018

By Norman Augustine, former trustee of Johns Hopkins, MIT, and Princeton and former regent of the University System of Maryland

### [Regents to Legislature: Remove threat to higher education](#)

*The Daily Advertiser*, June 14, 2018

By Robert W. Levy, chair of the Louisiana Board of Regents

### [A degree is still a great investment and the value of college just goes up from there](#)

*The State*, June 7, 2018

By Richard W. Riley, trustee emeritus of Furman University; former S.C. governor and U.S. education secretary

### [Americans are losing faith in higher education. Here's one way to restore it.](#)

*The Chicago Tribune*, April 27, 2018

By Dennis FitzSimons, trustee at Northwestern University

### [Transforming Southwest Virginia: Higher education must lead](#)

*Roanoke Times*, February 11, 2018

By Nancy Howell Agee, president and CEO of the Carilion Clinic, and Dennis Treacy, rector of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors

### **To regain support for higher education, trustees need to step up**

*The Washington Post*, January 3, 2018

By Richard D. Legon, president of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges and trustee of Spelman College

### **Iowa trustees must be champions for higher ed**

*The Des Moines Register*, November 13, 2017

By David Miles, trustee of Drake University and former member of the Iowa Board of Regents; chair of the AGB Board of Directors

### **We must work together to keep Oklahoma's higher education affordable and accessible**

*The Tulsa World*, August 31, 2017

By Regent Lou Watkins, regent of the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges

### **Keeping college within reach is a priority for Arizona Board of Regents**

*The Arizona Daily Star*, August 31, 2017

By Bill Ridenour, regent of the Arizona Board of Regents

### **Big thinking for our State System of Higher Education: Recognize the opportunities ahead**

*Pittsburg Post-Gazette*, February 7, 2017

By PASSHE Board Chair Cynthia Shapira, Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Regents

### **Do we value public higher education for Vermonters anymore or not?**

*Vermont Biz*, January 3, 2017

By Jeb Spaulding (Chancellor, Vermont State Colleges) and Martha O'Connor (Chair, Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees)

### **Politics is cutting the heart out of the Public Ivies**

*The Washington Post*, August 26, 2016

By Charles Pruitt, former University of Wisconsin Regent and former member of AGB Board of Directors