

Boston University Alumni Council Hails New President

Mary Buletza (SMG'80) is an active, passionate advocate for BU

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The Boston University Alumni Council (BUAC) has elected longtime BU advocate and volunteer Mary Buletza (SMG'80) to a two-year term as president of the council and of the BU Alumni Association.

Her position may be new, but the leadership role is familiar to Buletza, an active and passionate alumna who has been a member of the council since 2005 and has been on the executive board since 2010. She serves on the BU athletic director's advisory council and has been a president and member of the School of Management alumni board of directors.

"Boston University—and the School of Management in particular—has provided me with a wonderful education, including the professional and technical training necessary to begin my career and pursue it over the past 30-plus years," says Buletza. "BU also provided me with financial assistance, which made attending possible. I have been blessed in so many ways that it seems only natural to volunteer with this great institution and help others receive the opportunities I had, and continue to have, from my involvement."

In addition to alumna and volunteer, Buletza's BU résumé includes the words faculty, superfan, and donor. She is a former finan-

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cial planning instructor at Metropolitan College, a longtime Terrier ice hockey and basketball season ticket holder, and with her family she has endowed two scholarships, one through the Campaign for Boston University's Century Challenge.

"These are exciting times at BU—a period of unprecedented activity and optimism," says Buletza. "I look forward to continuing to work with the BUAC to create and deliver new ways to serve and engage our alumni and to assist President Brown, the administration, and the trustees to further strengthen our One BU."

The BUAC is made up of approximately 40 members who have demonstrated their leadership to their professions, communities, and alma mater. The group meets at least 3 times a year and is governed by a board of 12. Each of the University's 16

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schools and colleges are represented on the council.

Buletza is a licensed CPA in Massachusetts and New Jersey, with practice privileges in California. In 2009, her private accounting firm, which she had run for 17 years, merged with the financial services company Raphael and Raphael, where she is now a partner.

The BUAC is pleased to welcome Buletza as president and thanks outgoing president Shadi Daher (SDM'90-'94) for his years of leadership and service. Daher will continue to serve on the council and executive board as immediate past president and will lead the council's Alumni Leadership Forum, an initiative that brings together leadership from alumni networks around the world. He sits on the alumni board for the Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine.