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Meet Three Candidates for Dean of UHM School of Travel Industry Management

Three candidates for the position of Dean of the School of Travel Industry Management will visit the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa campus during mid-February and early March for interviews and meetings.

The three candidates are:

Ron Nykiel, who will be on campus Thursday and Friday, February 19-20. Nykiel is the Conrad N. Hilton Distinguished Chair and an associate professor at the University of Houston's Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management in Texas.

Marion Joppe, who will be visiting Monday and Tuesday, March 2-3. Joppe is the University Research Chair in Tourism at the University of Guelph's School of Hospitality and Tourism Management in Ontario, Canada.

Richard Perdue, who will be on campus Wednesday and Thursday, March 4-5. Perdue is the department head and professor at Virginia Tech's Pamplin School of Business' Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management in Blacksburg, Virginia.

A public presentation by each candidate will be held at 4 p.m. on the first day of each person's visit in the Architecture School auditorium, room 205. For more information, see the Web site at www.hawaii.edu/executivesearch/tim.

Said Vance Roley, Dean of the Shidler College of Business and Chair of the TIM Dean Search Advisory Committee, "We are fortunate to have such outstanding candidates to consider leading the School of Travel Industry Management, especially with the stunning scope of challenges confronting tourism in the coming years."

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