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Minnesota's Dave Metzen is Lamoriello Award Winner

Dr. David Metzen, a former University of Minnesota hockey player who went on to an exemplary career in the field of public education, has been chosen as the recipient of the 2007 Lou Lamoriello Award. The award, named after the former Providence College player and coach — and current New Jersey Devils president and coach — honors a former member of the college hockey community who has forged a unique career after college hockey.

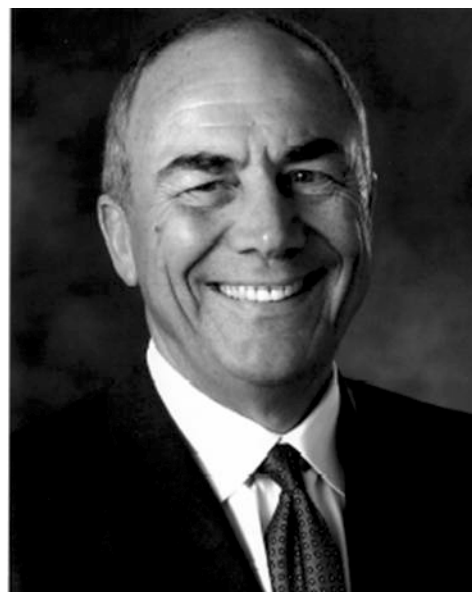
Metzen, a native of South St. Paul, MN, captained the Gophers as a senior in 1964 and also played on the U.S. National team during the 1965-66 season. Shortly thereafter, he ended his hockey playing days and launched a career in education. Starting as a sixth grade teacher in his hometown, Metzen earned Master's and PhD degrees from the University of Minnesota on the way to become Superintendent of Schools for South St. Paul.

When hard times fell on the city, Metzen created the Community Educational Foundation to rally supporters of public education and improve educational opportunities for the children of South St. Paul.

Metzen moved on from impacting the local community to impacting the state as he earned a position on the Minnesota Board of Regents in 1997, eventually serving as its Chairman from 200-2005. He remains on the Board of Regents today.

Metzen has also developed a career as a motivational speaker through his company Metzen Leadership.

The previous winners of the Lamoriello Award are John Mayasich of Minnesota (2006), Tom "Red" Martin of Boston College (2005) and Lou Lamoriello (2004). The award will be presented on April 27 during the 2007 AHCA Convention in Naples, FL.



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