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September 17, 2014

Dear Shareholder:

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of AngioDynamics, Inc. to be held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., local time, at the W New York Hotel, 541 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022.

At this year s Annual Meeting you will be asked to:

- (i) consider and vote upon a proposal to elect three Class II directors, each for a term of three years;
- (ii) consider and vote upon a proposal to ratify the appointment of AngioDynamics independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015;
- (iii) consider and vote upon a Say-on-Pay advisory vote on the approval of the compensation of AngioDynamics named executive officers;
- (iv) consider and vote upon a proposal to amend the AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 5,750,000 to 6,750,000;
- (v) consider and vote upon a proposal to amend the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 1,200,000 to 2,000,000;
- (vi) consider and vote upon an amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 45,000,000 to 75,000,000; and

(vii) transact such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. As we did last year, we are pleased to furnish proxy materials to our shareholders over the internet. Instead of mailing printed copies to each shareholder, we are mailing a Notice Regarding Internet Availability which contains instructions on how to access your proxy materials, how each shareholder can receive a paper copy of proxy materials, including this Proxy Statement, our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2014 and a form of proxy card, and how to access your proxy card to vote through the internet or by telephone. We believe that this e-proxy process will expedite shareholders receipt of proxy materials and lower the costs and reduce the environmental impact of our Annual Meeting.

The Board of Directors unanimously believes that the election of its nominees for directors, the ratification of the independent registered public accountants, the approval of the compensation of its named executive officers, the approval of the amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. 2004

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Stock and Incentive Award Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 5,750,000 to 6,750,000, the amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 1,200,000 to 2,000,000, and the amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 45,000,000 to 75,000,000, are in the best interests of AngioDynamics and its shareholders, and, accordingly, recommends a vote FOR each proposal.

In addition to the business to be transacted as described above, management will address shareholders with respect to AngioDynamics developments over the past year and respond to comments and questions of general interest to shareholders.

Whether or not you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, your vote is important and we encourage you to vote promptly. You may vote your shares via a toll-free telephone number or over the internet. If you requested and received a paper copy of the proxy card by mail, you may sign, date and mail the proxy card in the envelope provided. Instructions regarding all three methods of voting are contained on the proxy card. Voting by proxy will ensure your shares are represented at the Annual Meeting. As a result of changes in applicable law, banks and brokers can no longer exercise discretionary voting in uncontested elections of directors. If you are not a shareholder of record, please follow the instructions provided by the shareholder of record (your bank or broker) so that your shares are voted at the meeting on all matters.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. DeVivo

Chief Executive Officer

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

September 17, 2014

The 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders of AngioDynamics, Inc. will be held at the W New York Hotel, 541 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., local time, for the following purposes:

- 1. to vote upon a proposal to elect three Class II directors, each for a term of three years;
- 2. to ratify the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as AngioDynamics independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015;
- 3. to vote upon a Say-on-Pay advisory vote on the approval of the compensation of AngioDynamics named executive officers;
- 4. to vote upon a proposal to amend the AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 5,750,000 to 6,750,000;
- 5. to vote upon a proposal to amend the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 1,200,000 to 2,000,000;
- 6. to vote upon an amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 45,000,000 to 75,000,000; and

7. to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof. Only shareholders who held shares at the close of business on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting or any adjournments or postponements thereof. Directions to the Annual Meeting can be found at www.Wnewyork.com.

It is important that your shares be represented and voted at the meeting. You can vote your shares by completing and returning your proxy card or by voting on the internet or by telephone. Please see the instructions below under the heading **How do I vote my shares without attending the meeting?** .

The Annual Meeting for which this notice is given may be adjourned from time to time without further notice other than announcement at the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Any business for which notice is hereby given may be transacted at any such adjourned meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Stephen A. Trowbridge, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

Latham, New York

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials

for the Annual Meeting to be Held on October 28, 2014.

Our Proxy Statement for the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, the proxy card, and annual report on Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended May 31, 2014 are available on the following website: *www.proxyvote.com*. To view materials via the internet, please follow the instructions set forth on the Notice Regarding Internet Availability mailed to all shareholders of record on or about September 17, 2014.

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ANGIODYNAMICS, INC.

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PROXY STATEMENT

FOR

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

OF ANGIODYNAMICS, INC.

October 28, 2014

INTRODUCTION

We are furnishing this proxy statement to the shareholders of AngioDynamics, Inc. in connection with the solicitation by our Board of Directors of proxies to be voted at our 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders referred to in the attached notice and at any adjournments of that meeting (the Annual Meeting). The Annual Meeting will be held at the W New York Hotel, 541 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10022, on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., local time, or at any adjournment or postponement thereof. We expect to mail this proxy statement and the accompanying proxy card or voting instruction form beginning on September 17, 2014 to each shareholder entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting.

When used in this proxy statement, the terms we, us, our, the Company and AngioDynamics refer to AngioDynamics, Inc. The terms Boar Directors and Board refer to the Board of Directors of AngioDynamics, Inc. Our principal executive offices are located at 14 Plaza Drive, Latham, New York 12110.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE MEETING AND VOTING

What am I voting on?

At the Annual Meeting, we will ask holders of our common stock to consider and vote upon the following items:

1. Election of Directors

The election of three directors, namely, Joseph M. DeVivo, Howard W. Donnelly and Sriram Venkataraman. If elected, these Class II directors will each serve until the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified.

2. Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015.

3. Advisory Vote on the Compensation of our Named Executive Officers

A Say-on-Pay advisory vote on the approval of the compensation of our named executive officers.

4. Amendment to the AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan

Approval of an amendment to AngioDynamics 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 5,750,000 shares to 6,750,000 shares.

5. Amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Approval of an amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 1,200,000 shares to 2,000,000 shares.

6. Amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Charter

Approval of an amendment an amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 45,000,000 to 75,000,000.

How can I receive proxy materials?

Under rules adopted by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC), we are furnishing proxy materials to our shareholders primarily via the internet, instead of mailing printed copies of proxy materials to each shareholder. On or about September 17, 2014, we began mailing to our shareholders a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (sometimes referred to herein as the Notice) containing instructions on how to access this proxy statement, the accompanying notice of Annual Meeting and our annual report for the fiscal year ended May 31, 2014 online. If you received the Notice by mail, you will not automatically receive a printed copy of the proxy materials in the mail. Instead, the Notice instructs you on how to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials. The Notice also instructs you on how you may submit your proxy via the internet.

Finally, you can receive a copy of our proxy materials by following the instructions contained in the notice regarding how you may request to receive your materials electronically or in printed form on a one-time or ongoing basis. Requests for printed copies of the proxy materials can be made through the internet at http://www.proxyvote.com, by telephone at 1-800-579-1639 or by e-mail at sendmaterial@proxyvote.com by sending a blank e-mail with your control number in the subject line.

Who is entitled to vote?

Shareholders of record at the close of business on September 2, 2014, the record date for the Annual Meeting, are entitled to receive this proxy statement and to vote at the meeting and at any adjournment or postponement thereof. As of the close of business on the record date, there were 35,583,917 outstanding shares of our common stock entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. Holders of our common stock have one vote per share on each matter to be acted upon. A list of the shareholders of record entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting will be available at the Annual Meeting and for 10 days prior to the Annual Meeting, for any purpose germane to the meeting, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at our principal executive offices at 14 Plaza Drive, Latham, New York 12110, by contacting our General Counsel.

How do I vote my shares without attending the meeting?

If you are a shareholder of record, you may vote by granting a proxy. For shares held in street name, you may vote by submitting voting instructions to your broker or nominee. In most circumstances, you may vote:

By Internet or Telephone If you have internet or telephone access, you may submit your proxy by following the voting instructions in the Notice of Annual Meeting no later than 11:59 p.m., New York City Time, on October 27, 2014. If you vote by internet or telephone, you need not return your proxy card.

By Mail If you received a paper copy of this proxy statement, you may vote by mail by signing, dating and mailing your proxy card in the envelope provided. You should sign your name exactly as it appears on the proxy card. If you are signing in a representative capacity (for example, as guardian, executor, trustee, custodian, or attorney or an officer of a corporation), you should indicate your name and title or capacity.

How do I vote my shares in person at the meeting?

If you are a shareholder of record and prefer to vote your shares at the meeting, bring the accompanying proxy card (if you received a paper copy of the proxy statement) and proof of identification. You may vote shares held in street name only if you obtain a legal proxy from the record holder (bank, broker or other nominee) giving you the right to vote the shares.

Even if you plan to attend the meeting in person, we encourage you to vote in advance by internet, telephone or mail so that your vote will be counted in the event you are unable to attend.

How do I gain admission to the meeting?

If you wish to attend the Annual Meeting and you are a record holder, you must bring valid state or federal identification or a passport to register before entering the meeting. All invited guests will need valid identification in order to enter the meeting. If you hold shares through an intermediary, such as a bank, broker, trustee or other nominee, and you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, you must bring proof of share ownership, such as a recent bank or brokerage firm account statement or a letter from the bank, broker, trustee or other nominee holding your shares, confirming your ownership in order to gain entrance to the meeting.

What does it mean if I receive more than one proxy card or Notice?

If you receive more than one proxy card or Notice, it generally means that you hold shares registered in more than one account. If you received a paper copy of this proxy statement and you vote by mail, you should sign and return each proxy card. Alternatively, if you vote by internet or telephone, you should vote once for each proxy card and/or Notice you receive. If you have received more than one Notice, you should vote once for each Notice that you receive.

May I change my vote?

Yes. Whether you have voted by mail, internet or telephone, you may change your vote and revoke your proxy, prior to the Annual Meeting, by:

Sending a written statement to that effect to AngioDynamics Senior Vice President and General Counsel;

Voting by internet or telephone at a later time;

Submitting a properly signed proxy card with a later date; or

Voting in person at the Annual Meeting and by filing a written notice of termination of the prior appointment of a proxy with AngioDynamics, or by filing a new written appointment of a proxy with AngioDynamics (unless you are a beneficial owner without

a legal proxy, as described below).

Please note, however, that if a shareholder s shares are held of record by a bank, broker, trustee or other nominee and that shareholder wishes to vote at the Annual Meeting, the shareholder must bring to the Annual Meeting a letter or legal proxy from the bank, broker, trustee or other nominee, confirming the shareholder s beneficial ownership of the shares.

What constitutes a quorum?

A majority of the outstanding shares of common stock present in person or by proxy is required to constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting. For purposes of determining the presence of a quorum for transacting business at the Annual Meeting, abstentions and broker non-votes (proxies from banks, brokers or nominees indicating that such persons have not received instructions from the beneficial owner or other persons entitled to vote shares on a particular matter with respect to which the banks, brokers or nominees do not have discretionary power) will be treated as shares that are present.

How does the Board recommend that I vote?

The Board of Directors recommends that you vote your shares:

FOR the election as directors of the persons who have been nominated by the Board of Directors;

FOR the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as AngioDynamics independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015;

FOR the approval of the compensation of our named executive officers;

FOR the approval of the amendment to the AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 5,750,000 to 6,750,000;

FOR the approval of the amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the total number of shares of common stock reserved for issuance under the plan from 1,200,000 to 2,000,000;

FOR the approval of the amendment to AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of common stock from 45,000,000 to 75,000,000; and

with respect to any other matter that may properly be brought before the Annual Meeting, in accordance with the judgment of the person or persons voting. We do not expect that any matter other than as described in this proxy statement will be brought before the Annual Meeting.

What happens if I do not give specific voting instructions?

Shareholders of Record. If you are a shareholder of record and you indicate when voting over the internet or by telephone that you wish to vote as recommended by the Board, or sign and return a proxy card without giving specific voting instructions, then the persons named as proxies will vote your shares in the manner recommended by the Board of Directors on all matters presented in this proxy statement and as the persons named as proxies may determine in their discretion with respect to any other matters properly presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting.

Street Name Holders. If you hold your shares in street name (that is, through a bank, broker, trustee or other nominee) and do not provide specific voting instructions, then, under the rules of The Nasdaq Stock Market, the bank, broker, trustee or other nominee may generally vote on routine matters but cannot vote on non-routine matters. If you do not provide voting instructions on non-routine matters, your shares will not be voted by your bank, broker or other nominee. As a result, your bank, broker, trustee or other nominee may not vote your shares without receipt of a voting instruction form with respect to Proposal 1 and 3 through 6 because each proposal is a non-routine matter, but may vote your shares without your instructions with respect to Proposal 2 (ratification of appointment of independent registered public accounting firm) because this matter is considered routine.

What is the voting requirement to approve each proposal?

Under Delaware law and AngioDynamics Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws, if a quorum exists at the meeting, the affirmative vote of a plurality of the votes cast at the meeting is required for the election of directors (Proposal 1). A properly executed proxy marked withhold authority with respect to the election of one or more directors will not be voted with respect to the director or directors indicated, although it will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum.

For the ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2015 (Proposal 2), the approval of the amendment to the

AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan (Proposal 4), and the approval of the amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Proposal 5), the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote on the item will be required for approval of such proposal.

For the Say-on-Pay advisory vote (Proposal 3), the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote on the item will reflect the advice of the shareholders. The approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation paid to our named executive officers, also known as a say on pay vote, is an advisory vote mandated by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. This means that while we ask shareholders to approve the compensation paid to our named executive officers, it is not an action that requires shareholder approval, and shareholders are not voting to approve or disapprove the Board s recommendation with respect to this proposal. This advisory vote is non-binding on the Board, although the Board and the Compensation Committee welcome the input of shareholders on the Company s compensation policies and will take the advisory vote into account in making determinations concerning executive compensation.

For the approval of the amendment to the Company s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Proposal 6), the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of our issued and outstanding shares of common stock will be required for approval.

A properly executed proxy marked Abstain with respect to any such matter will not be voted, although it will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum. Accordingly, an abstention will have the effect of a negative vote on all proposals other than the election of directors.

What is a broker non-vote?

If you hold your shares in street name and do not provide voting instructions to your broker, your shares will not be voted on any proposal for which your broker does not have or does not exercise discretionary authority to vote (a broker non-vote). Shares constituting broker non-votes are not counted or deemed to be present in person or by proxy for the purpose of voting on a non-routine matter at the Annual Meeting and, therefore, will not be counted for the purpose of determining whether shareholders have approved the election of directors in Proposal 1, the Say-on-Pay advisory vote in Proposal 3, the amendment to the AngioDynamics. Inc. 2004 Stock and Incentive Award Plan in Proposal 4, and the amendment to the AngioDynamics, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan in Proposal 5, because such proposals are considered non-routine matters. A broker non-vote will have the same effect as a vote against the amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation in Proposal 6. If you do not provide voting instructions to your broker, your broker only will have discretion to vote your shares on Proposal 2, because the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm is considered a routine matter. Broker non-votes are counted as present for the purpose of determining a quorum at the Annual Meeting.

How can I find voting results of the Annual Meeting?

We will announce preliminary voting results at the Annual Meeting and, within four business days following the date of the Annual Meeting, we will file a Current Report on Form 8-K with the SEC indicating final voting results.

Who bears the cost of soliciting proxies?

The cost of solicitation of proxies being solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors will be borne by us. In addition to the use of the mail and the internet, proxy solicitation may be made by telephone, facsimile and personal interview by our officers, directors and employees.

PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominees

Our Board of Directors currently consists of nine directors. There is one vacancy on our board that was created when Mr. Vincent A. Bucci retired from our board in March 2014. The board is classified into three classes, each of which has a staggered three-year term. At the Annual Meeting, our shareholders will be asked to elect three Class II directors, namely, Joseph M. DeVivo, Howard W. Donnelly and Sriram Venkataraman. If elected, Messrs. DeVivo, Donnelly and Venkataraman will hold office until the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held in 2017 and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The Class I directors and Class III directors will continue in office during the terms indicated below. Unless otherwise specified, all proxies received will be voted in favor of the election of the nominees named below as directors of AngioDynamics. Directors will be elected by a plurality of the votes cast, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting.

The current term of each of Joseph M. DeVivo, Howard W. Donnelly and Sriram Venkataraman expires at the 2014 Annual Meeting and when his respective successor is duly elected and qualified. Each of Messrs. DeVivo, Donnelly and Venkataraman has consented to be named as a nominee and, if elected, to serve as a director. Management has no reason to believe that any of the nominees will be unable or unwilling to serve as a director if elected. Should any of the nominees not remain a candidate for election at the date of the Annual Meeting, proxies will be voted in favor of the nominees who remain candidates and may be voted for substitute nominees selected by the Board of Directors.

Set forth below are the names, principal occupations and director positions on public companies, in each case, for the past five years, ages of the directors and nominees, and information relating to other positions held by them with us and other companies. Additionally, there is a brief discussion of each director s and nominee s experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that led to the conclusion that such person should serve as a director. There are no family relationships between or among any of the directors, executive officers and nominees for director.

Nominees to serve as Class II Directors (Term expiring at the 2017 Annual Meeting):

Joseph M. DeVivo, age 47, was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer on August 15, 2011, effective September 7, 2011. Prior to his appointment as President and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. DeVivo served as Global President of Smith & Nephew Orthopedics, a provider of medical devices operating in the orthopedics, endoscopy and advanced wound management markets, from June 2007 to August 2011. From August 2003 until its acquisition by AngioDynamics in January 2007, Mr. DeVivo served as President and Chief Executive Officer of RITA Medical Systems, Inc., a provider of medical oncology devices. Mr. DeVivo served as President, Chief Operating Officer and Director of Computer Motion Incorporation (CMI), a medical robotics company, from August 2002 to July 2003, and as Vice President and General Manager of a division of Tyco International s Healthcare Business, U.S. Surgical/Davis and Geck Sutures, from May 1993 to August 2002. Mr. DeVivo earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the E. Clairborne Robins School of Business at the University of Richmond in 1989.

Through his position as our CEO and his tenures at RITA Medical Systems and Smith & Nephew, Mr. DeVivo brings leadership, extensive business experience and extensive knowledge of the medical device industry to the Board. In addition, Mr. DeVivo brings his strategic vision for our company to the Board. Mr. DeVivo s service as a Director and CEO of AngioDynamics creates a critical link between management and the Board, enabling the board to perform its oversight function with the benefits of management s perspectives on the business.

Howard W. Donnelly, age 53, joined our Board of Directors in March of 2004 and was named Chairman in April 2014. Since 2005, Mr. Donnelly has been President of Concert Medical LLC, a manufacturer of

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interventional medical devices. In addition in 2010, Mr. Donnelly became President and CEO of HydroCision Inc, a company focused on spine surgery and the pain management market. From 2002 to 2008, Mr. Donnelly was a director and member of the audit, compensation and nominating and governance committees of Vital Signs, Inc. From 1999 to 2002, he was President of Level 1, Inc., a medical device manufacturer and subsidiary of Smiths Group. From 1990 to 1999, Mr. Donnelly was employed at Pfizer, Inc., with his last position as Vice President, Business Planning and Development for Pfizer s Medical Technology Group from 1997 to 1999. Mr. Donnelly holds a B.S. and an M.B.A. from Bryant College. Prior to becoming our Chairman, Mr. Donnelly was chairman of our Licensing and Acquisition Committee and a member of the Audit Committee.

Mr. Donnelly brings extensive industry experience as a result of his tenures at Pfizer, Level 1, Concert Medical and HydroCision. Mr. Donnelly provides the board with valuable business, leadership and management insight, particularly in the areas of manufacturing and business combinations.

Sriram Venkataraman, age 42, joined our Board on May 22, 2012, in connection with our acquisition of Navilyst. Mr. Venkataraman is a Partner of Avista Capital Partners, having joined in May 2007. Prior to joining Avista, Mr. Venkataraman was a Vice President in the Healthcare Investment Banking group at Credit Suisse Group AG from 2001 to 2007. Previously, he worked at GE Healthcare (formerly known as GE Medical Systems) from 1996 to 1999. Mr. Venkataraman holds a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and a Master of Business Administration with Honors from The Wharton School. He currently serves as a Director of Lantheus Holdings Inc., Vertical/Trigen Holdings, LLC, OptiNose Inc. and Zest Anchors.

Mr. Venkataraman s experience in the healthcare industry, his strong finance and management background and his extensive experience in investment banking and private equity finance, with a focus particularly on the healthcare industry, provides the board with valuable business, strategic and management experience.

Recommendation of the Board of Directors

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE NOMINEES.

Other Directors

The following Class I and Class III directors will continue on the Board of Directors for the terms indicated:

Class III Directors (Term expiring at the 2015 Annual Meeting):

David Burgstahler, age 46, joined our board on May 22, 2012 in connection with our acquisition of Navilyst. Mr. Burgstahler is a founding partner of Avista Capital Partners since 2005 and since 2009, has been President of Avista. Prior to forming Avista, he was a partner of DLJ Merchant Banking Partners. He was at DLJ Investment Banking from 1995 to 1997 and at DLJ Merchant Banking Partners from 1997 through 2005. Prior to that, he worked at Andersen Consulting (now known as Accenture) and McDonnell Douglas (now known as Boeing). He holds a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Kansas and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard Business School. Mr. Burgstahler currently serves as a Director of Armored AutoGroup Inc., ConvaTec Inc., INC Research Holdings, Inc., Lantheus Holdings Inc., Strategic Partners, Inc., Vertical/Trigen Holdings, LLC, Visant Corporation and WideOpenWest, LLC. He previously served as a Director of BioReliance Holdings, Inc. and Warner Chilcott plc. During our fiscal year ended May 31, 2014, Mr. Burgstahler was a member of the Licensing and Acquisition Committee.

Mr. Burgstahler s strong finance and management background, with over 17 years in banking and private equity finance and extensive experience serving as a director for a diverse group of private and public companies, provides valuable business, corporate governance and financial expertise to our Board.

Wesley E. Johnson, Jr., age 56, joined our Board in January 2007. Since February 2013, Mr. Johnson has been Chief Executive Officer and Director of Admittance Technologies, Inc., a medical device company. Mr. Johnson is also a director of Minimus Spine, Inc., a private medical device company. From 2003 to 2007, Mr. Johnson served as a member of the board of RITA Medical Systems, Inc. From February 2008 to May 2012, Mr. Johnson served as President, CEO and director of Cardiokinetix, Inc., a developer of medical devices for the treatment of congestive heart failure. From October 2005 to February 2008, Mr. Johnson served as General Manager of Abbott Spine, S.A., a division of Abbott Laboratories. From June 2003 to October 2005, Mr. Johnson served as Division Vice President, Finance for Abbott Spine. From May 1999 to June 2003, he served as Vice President of Operations and Chief Financial Officer for Spinal Concepts. Mr. Johnson holds a B.B.A. in Accounting from Texas A&M University and became a certified public accountant in 1981. Mr. Johnson is a member of our Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

Mr. Johnson s service as CFO for Spinal Concepts, General Manager of Abbott Spine and CEO of Cardiokinetix provides valuable business, leadership and management experience, particularly with respect to the numerous financial, business and strategic issues faced by a diversified medical device company.

Steven R. LaPorte, age 64, joined our Board in January 2007. From 2005 to 2007, Mr. LaPorte served as a member of the board of RITA Medical Systems, Inc. Mr. LaPorte is a partner at ONSET Ventures and currently serves as a member of the boards of Valeritas Inc., Neuro Access Technologies, Cardiosolv, and Biocontrol Ltd. (United Kingdom). Mr. LaPorte also served as the Chief Technology Officer for Intelect Medical until its acquisition by Boston Scientific in January 2011. From 1978 until his retirement in 2005, Mr. LaPorte worked for Medtronic Inc. Mr LaPorte served in various executive positions in Medtronic s Cardiac Rhythm Management and Neurological Divisions, as well as in Corporate Headquarters. Mr. LaPorte holds a B.S. from the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point and an MBA from the University of Minnesota. Mr. LaPorte is the chairman of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and a member of our Compensation Committee.

Mr. LaPorte s service with Medtronic and as CTO of Intelect Medical provides valuable business, leadership and management experience with respect to the issues facing a diversified medical device company. In addition, Mr. LaPorte s experience as a Venture Partner for Onset Ventures provides insight into emerging technologies and strategic directions in the healthcare industry.

Class I Directors (Term expiring at the 2016 Annual Meeting):

Jeffrey G. Gold, age 66, has served as a director since 1997. Since April 2014, Mr. Gold has been President and COO of Myoscience, Inc., a privately-held medical device company focusing on Focused Cold TherapyTM for the treatment of peripheral nerve conditions. From January 2, 2012 to April 2014, Mr. Gold was CEO at Velomedix, Inc., a medical device company focused on therapeutic hypothermia for patients experiencing heart attack, stroke or cardiac arrest. Prior to January 2, 2012, Mr. Gold was a Venture Partner for Longitude Capital, a healthcare venture capital fund from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011. Mr. Gold was President and CEO of CryoVascular Systems, a peripheral vascular disease device company, from 2001 through its sale to Boston Scientific in 2005. From 1997 to 2000, he was Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Cardio Thoracic Systems, Inc., a company engaged in the development and introduction of devices for beating-heart coronary bypass surgery. Prior to that, Mr. Gold spent 18 years with Cordis Corporation in a variety of senior management roles including Vice President of Manufacturing and Vice President of Research and Development, and was a co-founder and President of Cordis Endovascular Systems, a subsidiary engaged in the interventional neuroradiology business. At Cordis, Mr. Gold also had responsibility for its peripheral vascular business. He serves on the board of directors of several start-up medical device companies and is a member of the Executive Committee for the Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the University of Florida and is a member of the Commercialization Advisory Board for the Cleveland Clinic. Mr. Gold has a B.S. in Industrial

Engineering from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts and an MBA from the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida. Mr. Gold is a member of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and, during our fiscal year ended May 31, 2014, was a member of the Licensing and Acquisition Committee.

Mr. Gold provides us with valuable business, leadership and management experience as a result of his tenures at Cordis, CardioThoracic Systems and as President and CEO of CryoVascular Systems. In addition, Mr. Gold s experience as a Venture Partner for Longitude Capital provides insight into emerging technologies and strategic directions in the healthcare industry. Mr. Gold s breadth of experience in the healthcare industry, ranging from endovascular devices, coronary bypass surgery and peripheral vascular disease devices, provides our board with valuable strategic and technical expertise necessary to direct a diverse medical device company.

Kevin J. Gould, age 60, joined our Board of Directors in October 2010. From 1991 to 2007, Mr. Gould held various management positions for the Kendall Company, which later became Tyco Healthcare, a division of Tyco International, Ltd., serving as COO of Tyco Healthcare from 2005 to 2007 and as President, North America, from 2000 to 2005. Tyco Healthcare became a public company in 2007 and is now known as Covidien. Mr. Gould served on the Board of Trustees of St. Elizabeth s Hospital in Brighton, Massachusetts. Mr. Gould holds a B.A. from St. Anselm s College in Manchester, New Hampshire and an M.B.A. from Anna Maria College in Paxton, Massachusetts. Mr. Gould is chairman of our Compensation Committee, during our fiscal year ended May 31, 2014, was a member of the Licensing and Acquisition Committee.

Mr. Gould s service as COO and President, North America of Tyco Healthcare provides our Board with valuable business, leadership and management experience, particularly with respect to the numerous operational, financial, business and strategic issues faced by a growing, diversified medical device company.

Dennis S. Meteny, age 61, joined our Board of Directors in March 2004. Since January 2014 Mr. Meteny has been a director of Blue Water Growth LLC, a global business consulting firm with services including mergers and acquisitions, private capital solutions, product distribution, outsourcing, and a wide variety of business advisory services for its Western and Asian clients. From 2006 to January 2014, Mr. Meteny was President and Chief Executive Officer of Cygnus Manufacturing Company LLC, a privately held manufacturer of medical devices, health and safety components, and high precision transportation, aerospace and industrial products. From 2003 to 2006, Mr. Meteny was an Executive-in-Residence at the Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse, a strategic economic development initiative of the University of Pittsburgh Health System, Carnegie Mellon University, the University of Pittsburgh, the State of Pennsylvania and local foundations. From 2001 to 2003, he was President and Chief Operating Officer of TissueInformatics, Inc., a privately held company engaged in the medical imaging business. From 2000 to 2001, Mr. Meteny was a business consultant to various technology companies. Prior to that, Mr. Meteny spent 15 years in several executive-level positions, including as President and Chief Executive Officer, from 1994 to 1999, of Respironics, Inc. a cardio-pulmonary medical device company. Mr. Meteny holds a B.S. Degree in Accounting from The Pennsylvania State University and an MBA from the University of Pittsburgh. Mr. Meteny is the Chairman of our Audit Committee.

Mr. Meteny s service as CFO, COO and CEO of Respironics, COO of TissueInformatics and CEO of Cygnus Manufacturing Company, provides our Board with valuable business, leadership and management experience, including leading a large, diverse healthcare company, giving him a keen understanding of the numerous operational and strategic issues facing a diversified medical device company such as AngioDynamics. In addition, as noted above, Mr. Meteny is the Chairman of our Audit Committee and is designated as a financial expert as a result of his extensive financial and accounting background with Ernst & Young and his position as CFO of Respironics.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Director Independence

The listing standards of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC require that a majority of a listed company s directors qualify as independent. Our Board of Directors has determined that eight of our nine directors and nominees Messrs. Burgstahler, Donnelly, Gold, Gould, Johnson, LaPorte, Meteny, and Venkataraman are independent under the Nasdaq listing standards. Under the Nasdaq listing standards, an independent director is a director who is not an officer or employee of AngioDynamics or any subsidiary and who does not have any relationship that the Board of Directors believes would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. Our Board of Directors reviews the relationships that each director has with our Company on an annual basis and only those directors having no direct or indirect material relationship with our Company and who qualify as independent under the Nasdaq listing standards will be considered independent directors of AngioDynamics.

Communications with the Directors

Shareholders may communicate in writing with any particular director, the independent directors as a group, or the entire Board by sending such written communication to our Secretary at our principal executive offices, 14 Plaza Drive, Latham, New York 12110. Copies of written communications received at such address will be provided to the Board or the relevant director or directors unless such communications are determined by our outside counsel to be inappropriate for submission to the intended recipient(s). However, any communication not so delivered will be made available upon request to any director. Examples of shareholder communications that would be considered inappropriate for submission include, without limitation, customer complaints, business solicitations, product promotions, résumés and other forms of job inquiries, junk mail and mass mailings, as well as material that is unduly hostile, threatening, illegal or similarly unsuitable.

Policy on Director Attendance at Annual Meetings

All Board members are encouraged to attend our Annual Meetings of shareholders absent an emergency or other unforeseen circumstance. All of our directors attended our 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

Our Board of Directors has adopted a written Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for our Company. Our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is available on our website located at www.angiodynamics.com under the Investors Corporate Governance Governance Documents Code of Ethics caption.

Board of Directors Leadership Structure

Howard W. Donnelly is our independent, non-executive Chairman of the Board of Directors, and Joseph M. DeVivo is our Chief Executive Officer. We separate the roles of Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors in recognition of the differences between the two roles. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for setting the strategic direction for the Company and the day-to-day leadership and performance of the Company, while the Chairman of the Board of Directors provides guidance to the Chief Executive Officer and sets the agenda for Board meetings and presides over meetings of the Board. We also believe that separation of the positions reinforces the independence of the Board in its oversight of the business and affairs of the Company, and creates an environment that is more conducive to objective evaluation and oversight of management s performance, increasing management accountability and improving the ability of the board to monitor whether management s actions are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders.

Risk Oversight

Our Board of Directors monitors management s enterprise-wide approach to risk management. The full Board of Directors role in discussing and developing our business strategy is a key part of its understanding of the risks the Company faces and what steps management is taking to manage those risks. The Board of Directors regularly assesses management s appetite for risk and helps guide management in determining what constitutes an appropriate level of risk for the Company.

While the Board of Directors has the ultimate oversight responsibility for the risk management process, various committees of the Board also have responsibility for risk management. In particular, the Audit Committee participated in and reviewed management s enterprise risk assessment, which focused on four primary areas of risk: Strategic; Financial; Operational and Legal/Compliance. In addition, the Audit Committee focuses on financial risks, including internal controls. In setting compensation, the Compensation Committee strives to create incentives that encourage a level of risk-taking behavior consistent with our business strategy.

THE STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT

In connection with our acquisition of Navilyst Medical in 2012, we entered into a Stockholders Agreement with certain of the former stockholders of Navilyst, including investment funds affiliated with Avista Capital Partners (which we refer to in this proxy statement as the Stockholders). The following is a summary of certain provisions of the Stockholders Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Stockholders Agreement, which we incorporate by reference to Exhibit 2.2 of our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 25, 2012. This summary may not contain all of the information about the Stockholders Agreement that is important to you. We urge you to read the entire Stockholders Agreement carefully because it is the legal document governing important aspects of the relationship among AngioDynamics and the Stockholders.

Board Representation

Pursuant to the terms of the Stockholders Agreement, the size of AngioDynamics Board of Directors was increased from eight to ten directors. In addition, our Board of Directors appointed two individuals designated by investment funds affiliated with Avista to serve on our Board (David Burgstahler and Sriram Venkataraman, who are together referred to in this proxy statement as the Stockholder Designees) until such time as, with respect to the first Stockholder Designee, the Stockholders beneficial ownership in AngioDynamics has been reduced below twenty percent (20%) of the then-outstanding voting shares and, with respect to the second Stockholder Designee, the Stockholder Designee). The first Stockholder Designee, Sriram Venkataraman, serves as a Class II director. The second Stockholder Designee, David Burgstahler, serves as a Class III director. If the Stockholders materially breach the Stockholders Agreement, which breach is not cured in all material respects within 15 business days of receipt of notice of such breach, we have the right to terminate the Stockholders right to designate the Stockholder Designees.

For as long as the Stockholders have the right to designate the Stockholder Designees in accordance with the provisions of the Stockholders Agreement, AngioDynamics must use commercially reasonable efforts, at each annual general meeting of shareholders of AngioDynamics, to procure the election or re-election of the applicable Stockholder Designee to the Board, for a term expiring at the next annual general meeting of shareholders at which members of the class of directors to which the Stockholder Designee belongs are to be elected or re-elected, or until such Stockholder Designee s successor is elected and qualified, or at such earlier time, if any, as such Stockholder Designee may resign, retire, die or be removed as a director. If a Stockholder Designee has resigned, retired, died or been removed from office, the Stockholders have the right to designate a replacement Stockholder Designee.

Once a Stockholder Designee is not elected or re-elected, as the case may