

**BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**MONTHLY REPORT**  
**EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for September 19, 2006 and the Minutes of the June 20, 2006 meeting be received and placed on file.

**SUMMARY**

The primary items for the September 19, 2006 Educational Policies Committee meeting include: (1) Emeritus Staff Status, (2) Emeritus Faculty Status, (3) Academic Retirements/Separations, (4) Faculty Tenure Appointments, (5) Faculty New Hire Appointments, (6) Lecturer Promotions, (7) Full Time Lecturer Appointments (8) Analysis of Instructional Measures, 1996-2006.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The fiscal impact of the actions taken is listed in the appropriate sections and in the Board minutes.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

The proposed action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

University Executive Officer  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date

# **EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

## **Board of Regents**

### **Educational Policies Committee**

September 19, 2006

1:45 – 2:30 p.m.

205 Welch Hall

### **AGENDA**

#### **Consent Agenda**

- Section 9      Emeritus Staff Status (*Donald Loppnow*)
- Section 10     Emeritus Faculty Status (*Donald Loppnow*)
- Section 11     Academic Retirements/Separations (*Rhonda Longworth*)
- Section 12     Faculty Tenure Appointments (*Rhonda Longworth*)
- Section 13     Faculty New Hire Appointments (*Rhonda Longworth*)
- Section 14     Lecturer Promotions (*Rhonda Longworth*)
- Section 15     Full Time Lecturer Appointments (*Rhonda Longworth*)

#### **Regular Agenda**

- Section 17      Monthly Report and Minutes (*Regent Rothwell*)
- Section 18      Analysis of Instructional Measures, 1996-2006 (*Donald Loppnow*)

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**EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES**

June 20, 2006  
10:15-11:00 a.m., 201 Welch Hall

**Attendees:** (seated at tables) Regent Rothwell (Chair), Provost Loppnow, Rhonda Longworth, Regent Valvo, Regent Brandon, Regent Clack

**Guests:** (as signed in) D. Beagen, M. Boone, M. Byrd, P. Carter, C. Charter, E. Contis, D. deLaski-Smith, P. Dykestra, L. Findley, L. George, H. Höft, J. Knapp, B. Lahidji, G. Lawver, K. McKanders, D. Mielke, W. Miller, C. Schaffer, P. Williams, S. Williams

*Regent Sharon Rothwell* convened the meeting at 10:15.

**Academic Affairs Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers (Section 8)**

*Rhonda Longworth, interim Assistant Vice President for Academic Human Resources*, recommended that the Board of Regents approve three (3) transfer Administrative/Professional appointments at the ranks and effective dates shown on the listing provided to the Board.

**Staff Appointments**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve 19 staff appointments for the reporting period of March 1, 2006 through May 31, 2006.

**Academic Separations/Retirements (Section 11)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve 22 separations and retirements for the reporting period March 31, 2006 through May 31, 2006.

**Emeritus Faculty Status (Section 12)**

*Donald Loppnow, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*, recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty Status to Three (3) former faculty members listed in the materials provided to the Board.

**Emeritus Staff Status (Section 13)**

Dr. Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Staff Status to (1) staff member.

**Faculty Appointments (Section 14)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve (41) new tenure-track faculty appointments for the 2006-2007 academic year at the ranks, salaries, and effective dates shown on the listings provided to the Board.

Provost Loppnow mentioned that there were over 50 faculty searches conducted this year, and so far 41 have succeeded, with two more likely to succeed as well. We are very pleased with that success rate and

the outstanding work of the deans and the department heads and school directors, and faculty who were all involved in the search process. When you compare that to last year's 74 searches, succeeding on 60, and the previous year there were 52 searches with 33 successful, the result is that 20% of our faculty have two years or less at EMU. This is a huge infusion of new faculty and new talent, totaling 134 people effective this fall. That signals a different era and a milestone change in the makeup of our faculty. In response to a question from Regent Brandon, Provost Loppnow described some of the support services EMU offers for new faculty, including a series of ongoing orientation for new faculty offered by the Bruce K. Nelson Faculty Development Center throughout their first year and after.

#### **Faculty Reappointments (Section 15)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents accept the report from the Division of Academic Affairs pertaining to the reappointment of 135 probationary faculty members for the 2006-2007 academic year.

#### **Faculty Tenure Appointments (Section 16)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve the granting of tenure, effective beginning with the 2006 fall semester, for twenty-five (25) faculty members.

#### **Faculty Promotions (Section 17)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve the granting of promotion, effective beginning with the 2006 fall semester, to thirty-five (35) faculty members.

#### **Lecturer Promotions (Section 18)**

Dr. Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file the report entitled Promotion of Lecturers for 2006-2007.

#### **Monthly Report and Minutes (Section 21)**

Regent Rothwell recommended that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for June 20, 2006 and the Minutes of the March 21, 2006 meeting be received and placed on file.

#### **Charter Schools Board Appointments (Section 22)**

*Joseph Pollack, Director, Charter Schools*, recommended that the Board of Regents appoint Terrance Campbell to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the Academy for Business and Technology; Alok Agrawal and Mary Packard to three-year terms on the Board of Directors of Ann Arbor Learning Community; Misha Helvey to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Commonwealth Academy; and Cheryl Garant to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Gaudior Academy.

#### **2005-06 Faculty Research and Creative Activity Fellowships (Section 23)**

Provost Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file the Report on 2006-2007 Faculty Research and Creative Activity Fellowships. Please see attached chart summarizing the array of different awards that have been approved by the Board during the course of the year.

Regent Brandon expressed the desire to see some concrete information on how we are supporting faculty in their research endeavors, and benchmarking that against other universities. Provost Loppnow replied that he would be happy to supply that information, and that there will be some good news there, but also a significant shortfall in what we would like to do to help them.

### **New Program Proposals (Section 24)**

Dr. Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents approve three new academic programs: (1) the Bachelor of Science in Information Assurance, (2) the Bachelor of Arts/Science in Cross-Disciplinary Studies, and (3) the Master of Science in Integrated Marketing Communications.

Regent Rothwell asked if the two interdisciplinary programs required that additional courses be developed because of their interdisciplinary nature, or if primarily existing courses will be used. Provost Loppnow replied that there will be a blend of both. The Master of Science in Integrated Marketing Communications is the first program of its kind in the state of Michigan. It's the second online program of its type in the country, and there are only about a dozen programs in existence overall. It is a very innovative program based on a partnership between the colleges of Arts and Sciences, and Business.

Regent Brandon asked how we monitor the quality of the product in the online context. Dean David Mielke replied that there are very refined methods dealing with quality of delivery as well as the assessment of online programs. Regent Rothwell remarked that this is a very good question and has been a topic of interest at several recent Faculty Affairs meetings. Quality should be at the forefront as these classes and programs are being developed.

### **Academic Calendars (Section 25)**

*Ellene Tratras Contis, Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Studies and Curriculum,* recommended that the Board of Regents approve the University Calendars for 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 as recommended by the Academic Calendar Committee.

### **Policy Revisions (Section 26)**

*Kenneth McKanders, University Counsel,* recommended that the Board of Regents approve the revised Board policies: 2.1, Honorary Degrees; 2.2, Commencement Speakers; and 6.2.8, Academic Misconduct.

Regent Rothwell thanked those in attendance, and adjourned at 10:57 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Akosua Slough, Administrative Secretary  
Academic Affairs

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