

BOARD OF REGENTS

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

SECTION: 28

DATE:

June 23, 2009

RECOMMENDATION

APPOINTMENT OF PROVOST AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Jack Kay as Provost and Executive Vice President of Eastern Michigan University effective August 1, 2009.

Based on the unanimous recommendation of the faculty in the Department of Communication, Media and Theatre Arts, it is further recommended that Dr. Kay be granted tenure in the Department at the rank of Professor effective August 1, 2009.

SUMMARY

Dr. Kay has served as Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of Michigan-Flint from September 2005-February 2007 and August 2008-present; Interim Chancellor from January 2007-August 2008; and Acting Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement, August 2008-present.

Accomplishments at the University of Michigan-Flint include substantial undergraduate and graduate enrollment growth, general education reform, and establishment of the Genesee Early College High School, implementation of academic program review, campus internalization, and successful completion of a capital campaign.

Dr. Kay is a professor of communications, with expertise in rhetoric, political communication and hate crimes. He has also taught at Wayne State University and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Kay received his Ph.D. in communications from Wayne State University in 1979, master's degree from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 1975 and an undergraduate degree from Wayne State in speech and political science in 1974.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

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

University Executive Officer

Date