

SECTION:
DATE:
December 15, 2011

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Staff Status to four (4) staff members: Carol Erickson, Library Associate in the University Library, who retired on January 14, 2011; John C. Fountain, Vice President University Relations and Secretary to the Board of Regents, who retired in 1985; Sherry L. Miller, Secretary to the School of Engineering Technology, who retired on August 31, 2011; Lavonda Robinette, Senior Corporate Relations Manager in the University Advising and Career Development Center, who retired on September 6, 2011.

STAFF SUMMARY

According to University policy, retiring Administrative Professional (AP), Athletic Coaches (AC), Confidential Clerical (CC), Professional Technical (PT) or Clerical Secretarial (CS) staff members who have served the University for at least fifteen (15) years, may be granted Emeritus Staff Status. Such status is conferred based on the recommendation of the President and approval of the Board of Regents.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

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

University Executive Officer
President

11/29/2011

Date



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Division of Academic Affairs

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS RECOMMENDATION

The Department of _____ University Library _____ recommends the awarding of **Emeritus Staff Status** for the following retiring/retired staff member:

Name of Staff Member: Carol Erickson

Status at EMU: Library Associate, CS-06 (AP10 and above)

Date of Hire at EMU: July 11, 1988 Retirement Date: January 14, 2011

Number of Years at EMU: 23 years (Minimum of 15 years of service required)

Please complete the following information on the retiring staff member for whom you are submitting this recommendation. This information is needed for inclusion in the EMU Faculty/Staff/Student Directory.

Home Address:

Home Telephone:

E-Mail Address:

Name of Spouse:

Degree(s)/Institutions/Year: Baccalaureate: B.S., Sociology & Comm., Eastern Michigan Univ., 1988

Masters: _____

Doctoral: _____

Please Attach a Brief Statement of Support to this Form - See attached

Emeritus Staff status is contingent upon the approval of the Board of Regents. The above information will be kept on file in the Provost's Office.

Karen Rogers-Collins
Recommended by (please print) 8-31-11
Date

Supervisor _____ Date _____ Department Head/ Dean and/or Vice President _____ Date 8-31-11

Provost _____ Date _____ Date Submitted to Board of Regents December 15, 2011

Please forward this completed form to:

Nicki Banush
Academic Affairs, 106 Welch Hall

Emeritus Recommendation for Carol Erickson Statement of Support

Carol Erickson has been a loyal and dependable employee and has served the Eastern Michigan University campus faithfully for 23 years. Carol's commitment and dedication to the University has been exemplary.

Carol began her career at EMU as a part-time CS-03 in the Library's cataloging area on July 11, 1988. In Nov. 1999 she was promoted to a CS-04, and in 1991 promoted to a CS-05. All these positions were within the cataloging area. In December 2000, Carol was promoted to a CS-06 in the Library's Periodicals area where she remained until retirement on January 14, 2011.

Carol has been known in the Library as an enthusiastic, cooperative employee willing to explore new projects and learn new skills. She was always looking for better and more efficient ways of doing work, especially if it made it easier for library patrons. Carol was great for coming up with new ideas, such as a "reading room" for current periodicals. She had a wonderful working relationship with everyone in the Library and campus community. Her patience in assisting patrons and training student assistants was an outstanding quality which was acknowledged by all those she worked with.

Carol was extremely knowledgeable and flexible in the ever changing area of Periodicals, not only with the work but with personnel as well. She was excellent in solving issues within the department.

Carol's dedication and loyalty to the faculty, staff and EMU community has been evident to all those she has so faithfully served over her many years with E.M.U. The Dean concurs with the coordinator of Technical Services and the Electronic Resources and Serials Librarian in highly recommending Carol Erickson be awarded Emeritus Staff Status.



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Division of Academic Affairs

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics recommends the awarding of **Emeritus Staff Status** for the following retiring/retired staff member:

Name of Staff Member: John C. Fountain

Current Status at EMU: Retired

Date of Hire at EMU: 1966 Retirement Date: 1985

Number of Years at EMU: 19+ (Minimum of 15 years of service required)

Please complete the following information on the retiring staff member for whom you are submitting this recommendation. This information is needed for inclusion in the EMU Faculty/Staff/Student Directory.

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Spouse: _____

Degree(s)/Institutions/Year: Baccalaureate: Adrian College -B.S.-1957

Masters: _____

Doctoral: _____

Please Attach a Brief Statement of Support to this Form

Emeritus Staff status is contingent upon the approval of the Board of Regents. The above information will be kept on file at the EMU Foundation.

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Recommended by (please print) Date

11/22/11
Department Head and/or Supervisor Date

Dean and/or Vice President Date

11-29-11
Provost Date

December 15, 2011
Date Submitted to Board of Regents

Please forward this completed form to: **Nicki Banush**
Academic Affairs, 106 Welch Hall



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

November 21, 2011

As the Director of Athletics I would like to recommend John C. Fountain as a candidate for Eastern Michigan University Emeritus Staff status.

John was a major part of the University and the athletics program for more than 40 years, 19 as an administrator and more than 40 as the radio play-by-play announcer for all of the EMU athletic games that were broadcast by WEMU-FM. Even though John was a graduate of Adrian College (1957), he became a lifetime member of the Eastern Michigan University community, not only serving as the sports information director, the public information director, a vice president for external affairs, but also as a veteran of University athletic broadcasts.

John and his wife, Marge, established the J. Clarence and Courtney S. Fountain Sportscasters Scholarship Fund at EMU in 1984 to provide tuition grants each semester to a student who indicates a desire to pursue a career in telecommunications and sports broadcasting. In addition, the student receives 20 hours per week on-the-job experience at radio station WEMU-FM during the fall and winter semesters. He started the broadcasting scholarship fund when he retired as vice president at EMU, with an original gift of \$10,000. In the many years since, between gifts from his family and what he has raised from others, the fund is currently more than \$50,000. Some of the awards John has won during his illustrious career include: selection to the EMU Athletic Hall of Fame, the Mid-American Conference Athletic Hall of Fame and most recently, he was the recipient of the Detroit Sports Broadcasters Ernie Harwell Lifetime Contribution Award in 2011. That award honors an individual in the broadcasting community who has made significant contributions to the broadcasting profession in Greater Detroit and the state of Michigan. Harwell was the first recipient in December 2009. John is an Honorary Lifetime Member of the DSBA and a past president and retired from his broadcasting duties in 2007.

In addition to being named the recipient of the DSBA Earnie Harwell Lifetime Contribution Award (2011) Fountain has also been named to the Eastern Michigan University Athletic Hall of Fame (1996), and the Mid-American Conference Hall of Fame (1996). I can think of no one more deserving of this distinction. Please contact me if additional information is necessary.

Sincerely,

Derrick L. Gragg, Ed.D.
Director of Intercollegiate Athletics
Eastern Michigan University



TOM OLMSCHIED, AP

in, right, gets off a shot over Michigan defenders Ekpe Udoh (22) and Brent
ie first half. Udoh had 14 points and four blocks; Petway had three blocks.

The offense helped Michigan withstand an early onslaught from Minnesota's Jamal Abu-Shamala. The sweet-shooting former walk-on scored 18 points in the first half – he had the Gophers' first 13 points – and finished with a career-high 28.

That was about all the offense the Gophers got. They trailed by as many as 15 points in the second half, where they shot 21.7 percent from the field and allowed Michigan to pull away with a Smith-aided 13-2 run.

Michigan hopes the victory – its first on the road since Jan. 6 at Northwestern – provides momentum for this week's games that could mean the difference between another trip to the National Invitation Tournament or the long-awaited and long-shot return to the Big Dance.

"Now we can get back in the race for the Big Ten and get up in the standings," Sims said. "We haven't really had any big road wins. We knew we had to put everything into this game."

ANN ARBOR NEWS FEB. 25, 2007

Fountain not reminiscing yet

Voice of Eastern Michigan basketball broadcasts last home game today

BY BRETT DEGROFF
News Sports Reporter

Since John Fountain started broadcasting Eastern Michigan University sports in 1963, he has been filling his mental Rolodex with Hurons and Eagles highlights.

Fountain has been there for all the big basketball moments, from the 1968 NAIA win over Stephen F. Austin to the teams of Ben Braun and Earl Boykins.

Before the season started, Fountain announced it would be his last as the voice of Eastern Michigan basketball. With Eastern Michigan on the road for the last two games of the season, today's 2 p.m. game with Ball State will be Fountain's last entry from the Convocation Center.

Between catching buses back and forth to women's and men's games, Fountain said he hasn't had the chance to get nostalgic yet.

"I imagine I'll feel it a lot more next November than I am now," he said.

Broadcast partner Brian Nemerovski expects that listeners will, as well.

"I think it will be very strange for listeners not to hear John," Nemerovski said. "If I do play-by-play for a game, they'll tell me: 'That's not how John does it,' because they are just so in tune with the phrases he uses and the way he paints the picture because he has just done it for so many years."

Over that time, Fountain has seen the game change with the advent of the three-second rule, the shot clock and the 3-point line. He's also seen things change dramatically on his side of the microphone.

"When I first got started in the business in 1950, there

weren't even tape recorders," he said. "Some people had wire recorders, but they were horrible and nobody used them. Commercials were cut on records, and they were only good for two or three plays until they got scratchy."

"I don't even understand the technology today. Everything is computerized and digital."

For several years, Fountain has maintained a home in Florida in addition to his Michigan home. But basketball kept him in the Ypsilanti area for the iciest months of the year. Next year, he plans to make a more timely commute down South.

Fountain said he doesn't have any plans to get into broadcasting in Florida. But who knows how he'll feel when November rolls around?

"Maybe I could get involved with minor-league baseball or something," he said.

Brett DeGroff can be reached at bdegroff@annarbornews.com or 734-994-6812.

Eastern Michigan

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0-17, 4-9 Mid-American Conference)

Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Ppg	Rpg
Fr.	6-6	215	8.2	5.1
Jr.	6-8	240	5.2	3.3
Jr.	5-11	180	6.2	1.3*
Jr.	6-5	195	10.8	1.9
Jr.	6-2	197	2.8	4.4

17-38 in second year at Eastern Michigan).

Mid-American Conference)

Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Ppg	Rpg
So.	6-5	205	11.1	7.6
Jr.	6-10	260	7.2	5.0
Fr.	6-0	175	4.0	0.5
Jr.	6-1	190	9.2	2.5*
Jr.	6-2	190	1.7	1.8

7 (9-18 in first year at Ball State).

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About Ball State

The Cardinals have lost three of their last four and two of their last three in the MAC. Senior forward Skip Mills, Ball State's leading scorer at 13.1 points per game, is likely to come off the bench as he did in the Cardinals' 61-59 loss to Central Michigan on Thursday. Mills had 13 points and seven rebounds. Newell scored 16 points.

■ **Tipoff:** 2 p.m. today at the Convocation Center.

■ **Television:** Comcast.

■ **Radio:** WEMU-FM (89.1).

By Brett DeGroff

Concordia falls in WHAC semifinals, 80-37

From Local Reports

GRAND RAPIDS – The Concordia University men's basketball team saw its season end Saturday afternoon with an 80-37 loss to Aquinas in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament semifinals.

The Cardinals also lost to Aquinas in the same game last

year.

Concordia (18-14) started slow and never recovered. The Cardinals shot just 3 of 18 from the floor in the first half and trailed 37-12 at halftime. They shot 13 of 41 for the game.

The Saints (20-11) also out-rebounded Concordia 40-20 for the game.

Anthony Bates scored nine

points and Nate Ashcraft eight for Concordia, which was seeded third in the tournament. Johnny Martin scored 20 and Jeff Jayson 15 for Aquinas.

The second-seeded Saints will travel to No. 1 seed Cornerstone for the WHAC championship game on Tuesday. Cornerstone beat Indiana Tech 99-90 on Saturday.

PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT

Being the point-man in dealing with the Mid-American Conference Council of Presidents, University administration, alumni and public in the fight to maintain membership in the MAC, as well as chairing the 1984 Eastern Energy campaign that proved to one and all that EMU did belong in the MAC. As a result, received honorary membership in the E Club and was presented a varsity letter jacket at the annual Football Banquet.

Biographical Information

John C. Fountain

John C. Fountain is president and owner of Fountain Communications, Inc., in Ypsilanti, Michigan, a public relations firm he founded in 1985. Prior to that, Fountain held several positions at Eastern Michigan University for 20 years, retiring in 1985 as vice president for University Relations and secretary to the Board of Regents. He also served as EMU's sports information director (1966-74), acting athletic director (1975-75), director of information services (1975-80), and associate vice president (1980-81). From 1963 to 1966, he was operations manager and chief engineer at WAAM Radio in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Fountain served in the United States Navy as an electronic technician from 1953 to 1955, before earning his bachelor's degree from Adrian College in 1957.

A full-service public relations and publications firm, Fountain Communications, Inc., has a broad range of clients including The University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, the Michigan Technology Council, Van Buren Township, The Entrepreneurial Network, and EQ-The Environmental Quality Company.

An active member of the business community, Fountain served as chairman of the board of directors of the Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce in 1993-94 and chairman of that city's Visitors and Convention Bureau Board of Directors in 1992-93. He was the 1994-95 chair of the Washtenaw Education Work Consortium and recently served on a task force to implement an education division within Ypsilanti's Chamber of Commerce to help address the deficiencies of public education in adequately preparing the future workforce. He will serve as chair of that division for the 1996-97 year. Fountain received the Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce's Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to the business community in 1995 and received Eastern Michigan University's 1996 Dr. John W. Porter Distinguished Service Award for his contributions to education. He also received an outstanding service award from the Michigan Technology Council in 1989.

Fountain has maintained a strong affiliation with Eastern Michigan University, broadcasting EMU sports since the 1960s and serving as the voice of EMU football and basketball on WEMU-FM for years. In 1993, he reached a milestone by calling his 300th EMU football game, an achievement unmatched by anyone currently broadcasting college sports in Michigan or the Mid-American Conference. In 1994, he received a *Best Live Broadcast of Sports Event* award from the Associated Press. He was inducted into the Mid-American Conference Media Hall of Fame this year. Fountain also is a past president of the Detroit Sports Broadcasters Association.

Fountain, born March 23, 1932 in Port Huron, Michigan, currently lives in Brooklyn, Michigan, with his wife, Marjorie A. (Salmon) Fountain. They have four daughters, Kim Goffee, Lynne Gronvall, Julianne Williams and Jacqueline Fountain.

**JOHN C. FOUNTAIN
FOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

CHAMBER ACTIVITIES

- 1980-1995 • Board of Directors of the Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce
- 1993-94 Served as Chair of the Chamber Board of Directors
- 1992-93 Served as Chair of the Visitors and Convention Bureau
- 1975-1985 • Board of Directors of the Visitors and Convention Bureau
- 1982-85 Chair of the Visitors and Convention Bureau
- 1981-82 • Treasurer
- 1975-1985 • Board of Directors of the Visitors and Convention Bureau
- 1986 • Originated, designed, and implemented advertising-funded *Business Talk*
- 1990 • Produce and publish *It's Your Business* monthly for the Brooklyn-Irish Hills Chamber of Commerce.

OTHER VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- 1994-1995 Chair of the Washtenaw Education Work Consortium
- 1990-1994 Member of the Board of Directors and member of the Steering Committee of the Washtenaw Education Work Consortium
- 1986-87 Board of Directors of the SOS Crisis Center
- 1975-77 President, Detroit Sports Broadcasters Association
- 1975-77 Board of Trustees - First United Methodist Church of Ypsilanti
- 1975-77 President - Parent Teachers Organization - Carpenter School, Ann Arbor

EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND

- 1963-1966 Radio Station WAAM
- Served as Operations Manager and Chief Engineer
- 1966-1985 Eastern Michigan University
- Served as Sports Information Director (1966-1974), Acting Athletic Director (1974-75), Director of Information Services (1975-80), Associate Vice President (1980-81), and Vice President for University Relations and Secretary to the Board of Regents (1981-1985).
- 1985-1987 John C. Fountain, Inc.
- 1988 The Fulkerson Group - Vice President for Creative Services
- 1989-Present Fountain Communications

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Distinguished Service Award - Ypsilanti Area Chamber of Commerce, 1995
- Best Live Broadcast of a Sports Event - Associated Press, 1994
- Outstanding Service Award - Michigan Technology Council, 1989
- Inducted into Port Huron Sports Hall of Fame, 1987
- Council for the Advancement of College Education (CASE) - Grand Award for Best Internal Communications Program in the Nation (1975)
- College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Award for Best Football Programs in the Nation (Division I) 1967, 1968, 1973
- CoSIDA Award for Best Basketball Brochure in District IV, 1972
- Football Writers Association Award for Best Swimming Brochure in Nation, 1973
- NAIA Award for Best Football Brochure in Nation 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970

EDUCATION BACKGROUND

- 1957 Adrian College B.S.

ARMED FORCES

- 1953-1955 U. S. Navy (Electronic Technician)

FAMILY

Born: Port Huron, Michigan, March 23, 1932

Married: Marjorie A. Salmon (2-8-58)

Four daughters: Kim Goffee, Lynne Gronvall, Julianne Williams, Jacqueline Fountain



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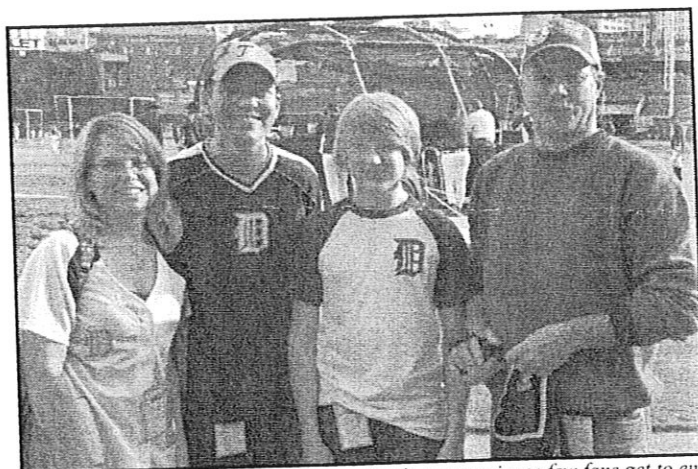
Fan Experience photos and DSBA broadcasters honored. Photos courtesy of Bill Eisner & Butch Davis.



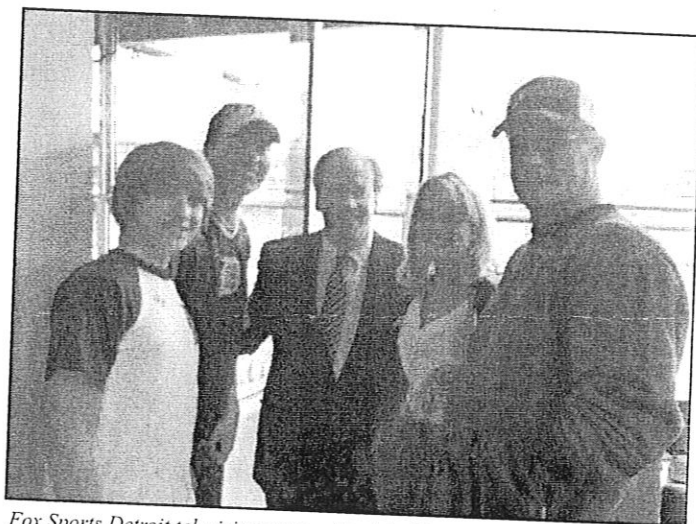
DSBA Golf Outing "Broadcast Experience" high bid winner Rick Bouck treated his good friend Jeff Gray who in turn treated his daughter Jennifer; grandson Jake, brother-in-law Mark and granddaughter's fiancée Matt to a real "Game Experience" at Comerica Park in late September. They were joined by DSBA Executive Director George Eichorn on the field prior to the Tigers/Indians game.



The group was joined for a photo by Tigers pitchers Joaquin Benoit (left) and Phil Coke (right).



Being down on the field for batting practice is an experience few fans get to enjoy.



Fox Sports Detroit television personality John Keating stopped by to say hello.



On September 30th prior to the Red Wings/Maple Leafs game at Joe Louis Arena, George Eichorn, DSBA Executive Director, presents Ken Daniels, DSBA Active Member & Fox Sports Detroit play-by-play voice of the Red Wings, with his 2010-11 DSBA Ty Tyson Award for Excellence in Sports Broadcasting. DSBA Treasurer Bill Wischman holds the perpetual Ty Tyson Award, which is on display at Hockeytown Cafe.



George Eichorn, DSBA Executive Director, presents John Fountain, DSBA Honorary Lifetime Member, with his DSBA 2010 Ernie Harwell Lifetime Contribution Award at Fox Run in Novi.

Fountain inducted to MAC Hall of Fame

By TAMIEKA THORNTON
Echo Staff Writer

John Fountain, WEMU-FM (89.1) play-by-play announcer, was inducted into the Mid-American Conference Media Hall of Fame in May.

"To be selected for this great honor, one must have put a great deal amount of time and effort into their profession," Fountain said.

Fountain started broadcasting for WEMU as a play-by-play announcer in 1963. He currently owns Fountain Communications, an Ypsilanti business.

Fountain, who retired from EMU in the mid 1980's as the vice president of University Relations Division, is looked upon as an excellent announcer, by his peers in the broad-



FOUNTAIN

"John is professional, fair, and loves what he does."

EASTERN ECHO
SEPT. 11, 1996 Clark Smith,
WEMU News and Public
Affairs Director

casting industry. WEMU News and Public Affairs Director Clark Smith said: "John is professional, fair, and loves what he does."

When Fountain was asked his thoughts on his achievement, he said: "It's always an honor to be chosen by your co-workers for your accomplishments."

"After a while, more and more people will be inducted into the MAC Media Hall of Fame," said Fountain.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

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Sept. 27, 2011

For Immediate Release

FORMER EMU BROADCASTER JOHN FOUNTAIN HONORED BY DSBA

Served EMU for more than 35 years

DETROIT, Mich. (EMUEagles.com) — **John C. Fountain**, a former Eastern Michigan University sports broadcaster and long-time University employee, was presented the 2011 Ernie Harwell Lifetime Contribution Award by the Detroit Sports Broadcasters Association (DSBA) Monday, Sept. 26, at Fox Run Retirement Community.

Fountain received the award during an in-studio news broadcast program that aired on Fox Run's closed circuit TV station. George Eichorn, the Executive Director of DSBA, presented him with the accolade.

"John not only had a long career as the play-by-play voice of Eastern Michigan University but established, and carries on still today, a definite contribution to helping the future society of sports broadcasters and reporters," said Eichorn. "He is most deserving of this honor."

The DSBA Ernie Harwell Lifetime Contribution Award honors an individual in the broadcasting community who has made significant contributions to the broadcasting profession in Greater Detroit and the state of Michigan. Harwell was the first recipient in December 2009.

Fountain and his wife, Marge, established the J. Clarence and Courtney S. Fountain Sportscasters Scholarship Fund at Eastern Michigan University in 1984 to provide tuition grants each semester to a student who indicates a desire to pursue a career in telecommunications and sports broadcasting. In addition, the student receives 20 hours per week on-the-job experience at radio station WEMU-FM during the fall and winter semesters.

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A side note, one of the scholarship recipients is currently broadcasting minor league baseball in Rockford, Illinois, and another, Ryan Wooley, is a sports reporter for WWJ/WXYT in Detroit and the play-by-play voice for for Eagle All-Access.

John has authored two books, "A View From the Board Room" and "Those 1940 Detroit Tigers," and donates all proceeds of those two books directly to his scholarship fund and the Detroit Sports Broadcasters Association Grant Fund, which awards grants for the purpose of new broadcast equipment purchase at Michigan colleges, universities and high schools.

John is an Honorary Lifetime Member of the DSBA and a past president. John retired from his broadcasting duties in 2007, completing 55 years of calling play-by-play action for the University of Michigan on WAAM radio for three years and the last 44 years handling football, basketball and baseball broadcasts at EMU.

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EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Division of Academic Affairs

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS RECOMMENDATION

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The Department of Engineering Technology recommends the awarding of **Emeritus Staff Status** for the following retiring/retired staff member:

Name of Staff Member: Sherry L. Miller

Current Status at EMU: Active

Date of Hire at EMU: 10/11/1979 Retirement Date: 08/31/2011

Number of Years at EMU: 32 (Minimum of 15 years of service required)

Please complete the following information on the retiring staff member for whom you are submitting this recommendation. This information is needed for inclusion in the EMU Faculty/Staff/Student Directory.

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Spouse: _____

Degree(s)/Institutions/Year: Baccalaureate: _____

Masters: _____

Doctoral: _____

Please Attach a Brief Statement of Support to this Form

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Bob Lahidji 8/26/11
Recommended by (please print) Date

8/26/11
Department Head and/or Supervisor Date

Dean and/or Vice President

8/30/11 DK
Date RIM

11/29/11
Provost Date

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Please forward this completed form to: Nicki Banush
Academic Affairs, 106 Welch Hall

Date: August 29, 2011
To: Dean Boone
From: Bob Lahidji, Director of SET *B. L.*
Subject: Emeritus Nomination

It is with great pleasure that I support Ms. Sherry Miller's nomination for emeritus status. In the past seven years Ms. Miller worked for me as administrative Secretary. I found her to be conscientious, a great organizer in her work, and a great mentor to the students working in the front office. It should be noted that Ms. Miller served Eastern Michigan University for thirty two years in different positions. On behalf of the School of Engineering Technology, I would like to thank Ms. Miller for her hard work and dedication. Your support of this request is greatly appreciated.

cc. Sherry Miller



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Division of Academic Affairs

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS RECOMMENDATION

The Department of University Advising & Career Development^{Center} recommends the awarding of **Emeritus Staff Status** for the following retiring/retired staff member:

Name of Staff Member: Lavonda Robinette

Current Status at EMU: retired

Date of Hire at EMU: 8/21/95 Retirement Date: 9/6/11

Number of Years at EMU: 16 years (Minimum of 15 years of service required)

Please complete the following information on the retiring staff member for whom you are submitting this recommendation. This information is needed for inclusion in the EMU Faculty/Staff/Student Directory.

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Name of Spouse: _____

Degree(s)/Institutions/Year: Baccalaureate: Bachelor of Science / EMU / 2001

Masters: Master of Arts / EMU / 2003

Doctoral: Doctor of Philosophy / Univ. of Toledo / anticipated 2011
(emphasis on administration & policy analysis)

Please Attach a Brief Statement of Support to this Form

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Sarah Kersey Otto 11/7/11
Recommended by (please print) Date

Department Head and/or Supervisor Date 11/7/11

Dean and/or Vice President Date 11-18-11

Provost Date 11/29/11

December 15, 2011
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Academic Affairs, 106 Welch Hall

November 3, 2011

Dr. Rhonda Kinney Longworth
Office of the Provost
Academic Affairs Division
Eastern Michigan University
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Dear Dr. Longworth:

Eastern Michigan University has found a life-long friend in Lavonda Robinette and it is with great pride that we recommend her for emeritus status. Ms. Robinette started with the University in 1995 in the Records and Registration department and spent the bulk of her years working with employers and students in the University Advising & Career Development Center (formerly the Career Services Center).

Lavonda was instrumental in maintaining and growing the University's Michigan Collegiate Job Fair and served as the director of the fair for 10 years. At the time she took the helm, EMU was in a partnership with Wayne State University and was only responsible for recruiting employers for the fair (generally 100-200) while WSU took responsibility for recruiting students/candidates from all 4-year institutions in the State. Shortly after taking the helm, WSU pulled out of the partnership and Lavonda became responsible for the recruiting of both employers AND candidates. The fact that she was able to do both aspects of this job fair twice a year – and maintain a healthy fair during poor economic times and then begin to grow it again - is a true tribute to what a dedicated and hard-working person Lavonda was for EMU. Her willingness to go above and beyond for the sake of the institution and our graduates will always be remembered and appreciated.

Beyond the department, Lavonda was a constant supporter and advocate for EMU. It was not uncommon for her to inquire of waitpersons where they were going to school, what they were planning to go into and how she might help them make connections to attend EMU (or re-enroll, etc.). She and her family attend every EMU home football game and she has been both a donor and supporter in getting the Autism Collaborative Center off the ground. Lavonda has proven herself to be TRUEMU and 'green' through and through.

We wish her all the best in this next chapter of her life and call ourselves lucky to have called her a colleague during her years at Eastern Michigan University.

Respectfully submitted,


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