

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for December 5, 2014 and the Minutes of the October 7, 2014 meeting be received and placed on file.

SUMMARY

The primary items for the December 5, 2014 Educational Policies Committee meeting include:

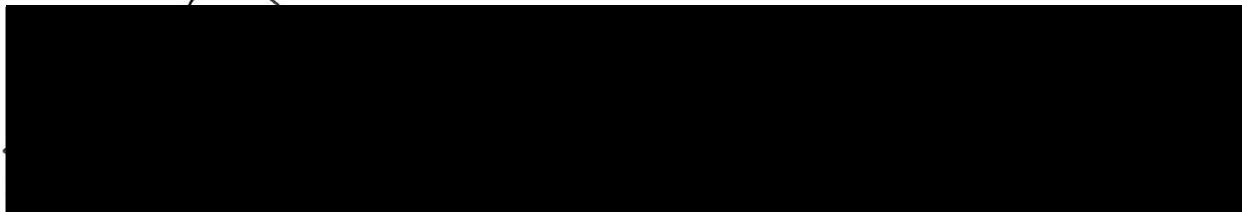
Agenda and Minutes; Emeritus Faculty Recommendations; Lecturer Appointment; Academic Retirements/Separations; Charter Schools Board Member Appointment and Update.

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

Date

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents
Educational Policies Committee

December 5, 2014
8:45 – 9:30 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

AGENDA

Agenda and Minutes (*Regent Fitzsimmons, Chair*)

Emeritus Faculty Recommendations (*Rhonda Longworth*)

Lecturer Appointments (*David Woike*)

Academic Retirements/Separations (*David Woike*)

Charter Schools Board Member Appointments and Update (*Malverne Winborne*)

Discussion Items:

Update on Degree Completion and Retention: Community College Relations

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 7, 2014
9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

Attendees: (seated at tables) J. Carroll, D. Clearwater, Regent Fitzsimmons (Chair), R. Longworth, Regent Morris (Vice-Chair), Provost Schatzel and M. Winborne

Guests: (as signed in): C. Allain, R. Barnes, S. Bostley, M. Collett, K. Devine, K. Dobson, A. Dow, C. Finch, E. Forsman, A. Fox, R. Goffeney, G. Hammill, J. Hunsberger, K. Kucera, L. Langdon, C. McFarland, K. Mehuron, M. Nair, C. Phillips, T. Piercecchi, C. Powell, R. Quiroz, M. Ramsey, M. Rich, C. Sanders, C. Schlagheck, C. Shell, D. Smith, K. Stacey, N. Sutter, W. Tornquist, T. Venner, P. Young and J. Webb.

Regent Fitzsimmons convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Report and Minutes (Section 13)

Regent Fitzsimmons requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for October 7, 2014 and Minutes of the June 10, 2014 meeting be received and placed on file.

Emeritus Faculty (Section 4)

Dr. Rhonda Longworth, Associate Provost and Associate Vice President for Academic Programming and Services, recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty Status to ten (10) former faculty members: Kathleen Beauvais, Department of Teacher Education from 1991 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 23 years); Howard Booth, Department of Biology from 1967 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 47 years); Carole Gorenflo, Department of Special Education from 1988 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 26 years); Ronald Hoodin, Department of Special Education from 1988 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 26 years); Elvia Krajewski-Jaime, School of Social Work from 1985 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 29 years); Donald Loppnow, School of Social Work from 1974 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 40 years); Kathlyn Parker, Department of Special Education from 1999 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 15 years); Martha Tanicala, School of Nursing from 1999 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 15 years); Sylvia Weinberg, School of Social Work from 1997 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 17 years); and Lorraine Wilson, School of Nursing from 1990 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 24 years).

STAFF SUMMARY

The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Eastern Michigan University and the Eastern Michigan University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) provides that a faculty member who has served the University for at least fifteen (15) years may be nominated for Emeritus Faculty Status upon retirement.

The nominations for these individuals have received the support of the department head or school director, the dean of the college, and the Provost and Executive Vice President.

Honorary Emeritus Status for Meritorious Service (Section 5)

It was recommended that the Board of Regents grant Honorary Emeritus Status for Meritorious Service to Dr. Paul Schollaert, who served EMU for thirteen years, and provided exceptional leadership in his roles as Provost and Professor in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology.

STAFF SUMMARY

According to University policy, retiring employees who have served the University for fewer than 15 years may be granted Honorary Emeritus Status for Meritorious Service. Candidates for honorary emeritus status must have a significant number of years of service and a record of meritorious performance in one or more of the following: (a) a substantive record of scholarly achievement commensurate with national or international standards within the specific discipline, (b) a record of outstanding teaching and or educational contributions, (c) clear evidence of service to the University beyond the normal expectations, (d) clear evidence of exceptional institutional leadership, advancement of the University or extraordinary service to students.

Academic Retirement/Separation (Section 6)

Dr. James Carroll, Associate Provost and Associate Vice President for Administration, recommended that the Board of Regents approve sixteen (16) retirements and sixteen (16) separations for the period of June 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014.

STAFF SUMMARY

Of the thirty-two (32) retirements and separations, eighteen (18) are female and fourteen (14) are male. Demographics show that twenty-five (78%) are Caucasian, four (13%) are African-American, one (3%) is Hispanic, one (3%) is Asian and one (3%) did not disclose.

Faculty Appointments (Section 7)

Dr. James Carroll recommended that the Board of Regents approve three (3) new faculty appointments for the 2014-2015 academic year at the rank, salary, and effective date shown on the attached listing.

STAFF SUMMARY

Demographics show that the three new faculty appointments are female.

Lecturer Appointments (Section 8)

Dr. James Carroll recommended that the Board of Regents approve five (5) new lecturer appointments for the 2014-2015 academic year at the rank, salary, and effective date shown on the attached listing.

STAFF SUMMARY

Of the five (5) appointments, three (60%) are female and two (40%) are male. Demographics show that four (80%) are Caucasian and one (20%) did not disclose that information.

Commencement Speaker and Honorary Degree Recipient (Section 16)

Dr. Kim Schatzel, Provost and Executive Vice President recommended that the Board of Regents approve Gary C.K. Huang, President 2014-2015 of the Rotary Club of Taipei, as Commencement Speaker at the Saturday, December 20, 2014 commencement ceremony. In addition, it is recommended that the Board award an honorary Doctor of Business to Mr. Huang.

New Academic Program: Media Studies & Journalism (B.A.) (Section 14)

Dr. Rhonda Longworth recommended that the Board of Regents approve a new Academic Program: Media Studies & Journalism, Bachelor of Arts.

Tom Venner, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Kathy Stacey, Department Head, Communications, Media and Theatre Arts, Mary Ramsey, Department Head, English Language, Geoffrey Hammill, Professor, Communications, Media and Theatre Arts and Carol Schlagheck, English Language and Literature discussed the development and the implementation of this new program.

SUMMARY

Today's evolving news media landscape demands a more interdisciplinary, interactive, and fluid approach of study and exploration. The proposed major in Media Studies and Journalism combines courses from two existing programs in Electronic Media & Film Studies (CMTA) and Journalism (ENGL). The proposed program will offer a curricular model of integrating skills-based training, critical and conceptual learning, pre-professional and practical training, community-based learning, and academic service learning.

The interdisciplinary program will speed students' progress toward their degrees by enabling innovative and flexible curriculum choices within a single major. Currently, Eastern students who want to be journalists need to choose between broadcasting (CMTA) and print (ENGL). Yet the professions now often demand "cross-training" – for instance, broadcast journalists now develop online content and blog posts, while print journalists shoot and edit video. The division between the two majors is becoming obsolete and forces current Eastern students into awkward combinations of double majors and major/minor within similar and often- redundant fields of study. This new program resolves these dilemmas with an integrated approach.

Charter Schools: Appointment of Board Members (Section 15)

Dr. Malverne Winborne, Director of Charter Schools, recommended that the Board of Regents appoint Grace Vereen to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the Commonwealth Community Development Academy; Karl D'Abreu and Rosielee Hurst to three-year terms on the Board of Directors of Gaudior Academy; Jorge Paul to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Grand Blanc Academy and Kema Johnson to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Great Lakes Academy.

STAFF SUMMARY


According to the resolutions which establish these public school academies (charter schools), vacancies on the Boards of Directors shall be filled by the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents.

Discussion Item:

Dr. Kim Schatzel, Dr. Rhonda Longworth and Ellen Collier, Program Coordinator, Diversity and Community Involvement, Women's Resource Center provided an update on the Degree Completion and Retention Plan and the Single Parent initiative.

Regent Fitzsimmons thanked those in attendance, and adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


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