

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION

MONTHLY REPORT
EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE

ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for April 1, 2008 and the Minutes of the January 15, 2008 meeting be received and placed on file.

SUMMARY

The primary items for the April 1, 2008 Educational Policies Committee meeting include: (1) Emeritus Faculty Status, (2) Academic Retirements/Separations, (3) Re-issuance of Charters, (4) Opening of Term and Official Record Dates, (5) Policy Revision – Library Policy, (6) Honorary Degrees and Commencement,

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 Executive Vice President

3-20-08

Date

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents
Educational Policies Committee

April 1, 2008
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

AGENDA

Presentation: College of Health and Human Services
by Jeanne Thomas, Dean

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents
Educational Policies Committee

April 1, 2008
1:45 – 2:30 p.m.
205 Welch Hall

AGENDA

Consent Agenda

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| Section 3 | Emeritus Faculty Status (<i>Donald Loppnow</i>) |
| Section 4 | Academic Retirements/Separations (<i>Rhonda Longworth</i>) |

Regular Agenda

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| Section 6 | Monthly Report and Minutes (<i>Regent Sidlik, Chair</i>) |
| Section 7 | Re-issuance of Charters (<i>Joe Pollack</i>) |
| Section 8 | Opening of Term and Official Record Dates for the Fiscal Year (<i>Donald Loppnow</i>) |
| Section 9 | Policy Revision – Library Policy (<i>Ken McKanders</i>) |
| Section 10 | Honorary Degrees and Commencement (<i>Dennis Beagen</i>) |

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 15, 2008
1:45-2:30 p.m., 205 Welch Hall

Attendees: (seated at tables) Regent Sidlik, Provost and Executive Vice President Loppnow, Associate Provost Robert Neely, Rhonda Longworth

Guests: (as signed in) Polly Buchanan, Morell Boone, Vicki Reaume, Ken McAnders, Karen Simpkins, Jim Porter, Craig Reidsma, Lynne Rocklage, Lynette Findley, Bette Warren, Cathy Fleischer, Chris Shell, Byron Bond, Claudia Petrescu, Richard Stahler-Sholk, Rebecca Sipe, Sally Burton-Hoyle, Lidia Lee, Bill Cupples, Tom Venner, Deb DeLaski-Smith, Linda Schott, Wade Tornquist, Pat Williams

Emeritus Faculty Status (Section 3)

Donald Loppnow, Provost and Executive Vice President, recommend that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty Status to three (3) former faculty members: James C. Porter from the Department of Physics and Astronomy; Ann Remp from the Department of Technology Studies; and Barbara Richardson from the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology.

Monthly Report and Minutes (Section 5)

Regent Sidlik requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for January 15, 2008 and the minutes from November 2007 meeting be received and placed on file.

Affirmative Action 2007-2008 Plan and 2006-2007 Audit (Section 6)

Sharon Abraham presented to the Educational Policies Committee and update on the Affirmative Action Audit 2006-2007, the Affirmative Action Plan for Women and Minorities and the Affirmative Action Plan for Veterans and Individuals with Disabilities dated September 2007-2008. It is recommended that the Board of Regents receive and place the aforementioned documents on file.

2008 Provost's Research Awards for New Faculty (Section 7)

Robert Neely requested that the Board of Regents accept and place on file the Report on the 2008 Provost's New Faculty Research Awards. The Provost and Executive Vice President has awarded a total of \$74, 825 to the following seventeen (17) new Eastern Michigan University faculty for research and creative projects.

Susan Badger Booth – Department of Communication and Theatre Arts
Joan E. Cowdery – Department of Health Promotion & Human Performance
Jeannette W. Kindred – Department of Communication and Theatre Arts
Gavin D. Edwards – Department of Chemistry

Marissa O. Ensor – Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology
Suzanne Gray – University Library
Christopher Herman – Department of Health Promotion & Human Performance
Kristin Judd – Department of Biology
Beth Kubitskey – Department of Physics and Astronomy
Tamara M. Penix – Department of Psychology
Christopher G. Robbins – Department of Teacher Education
Tsai-Shan Shen – Department of Communication and Theatre Arts
Lynne M. Shetron-Rama – Department of Health Sciences
Robert W. Simmons III – Department of Teacher Education
Solange Simoes – Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology
Brooks Harris Stevens – Department of Art
Linda G. Williams – Department of Teacher Education

Faculty Research and Creative Activity Fellowships Winter 2008 (Section 8)

Robert Neely requested the Board of Regents accept and place on file the Report on Winter 2008 Faculty Research and Creative Activity Fellowships. These competitive awards are given to faculty who submit meritorious research or special study proposals. These fellowships award up to 50 percent release time from teaching to help provide a foundation for a faculty member to develop a research base for future additional funding from other sources. The University Research and Sabbatical Leave Committee review the Faculty Research and Creative Activity Fellowship proposals and has made recommendations to the Provost and Executive Vice President. The following seven (7) faculty will be supported:

Kristine Ajrouch – Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology
George H. Cassar – Department of History and Philosophy
Paul Chao – Department of Marketing
Cory D. Emal – Department of Chemistry
Lisa Klopfer – University Library
Raymond Rosenfeld – Department of Political Science
Linda M. Woodland – Department of Accounting and Finance

New Academic Program: Master of Arts in Autism Spectrum Disorders (Section 9)

Provost Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents approve a new Academic Program: Master of Arts in Autism Spectrum Disorders within the College of Education. Estimated costs for the program are approximately \$2000 for marketing, to be borne by the Special Education Department, \$3000 in costs for updating assessment skills, to be borne by the Continuing Education or the Department's Endowment fund. In addition there will be a request for an additional faculty member. This decision will be part of the Division of Academic Affairs strategic planning. The estimated cost of a new faculty member is \$52,000-\$56,000.

Lynn Rocklage and Sally Burton Hoyle were invited to comment on the new program. They shared that the Special Education Department is the largest and oldest in the state. Enrollment has always been high as the state mandates that teachers teach ALL students. The need is growing for educators specializing in this area as the number of new cases of autistic students rise.

New Academic Program: Master of Arts in English Studies for Teachers (Section10)

Provost Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents approve a new Academic Program: Master of Arts in English Studies for Teachers with the College of Arts and Sciences. Start up costs for the program are expected be approximately \$500 for library resources and \$500 for preparation of marketing materials. Currently, adequate faculty resources exist to begin and continue the program. Determination of the need for additional faculty will be part of the Academic Affairs strategic planning, whose cost is estimated at \$49,000.

Provost Loppnow invited Rebecca Sipe and Kathy Fleischer to comment on the new program. While the English is the largest on campus the department lacks this particular program that is offered at other institutions. 75% of undergraduate students would be interested in pursuing this course of graduate level study.

New Academic Program: Bachelor of Arts/Science in International Affairs (Section 11)

Provost Loppnow recommended that the Board of Regents approve a new Academic Program: Bachelor of Arts/Science in International Affairs in the College of Arts and Sciences. No additional funding is required as the new program consists of existing courses, some of which have undergone minor revisions to fit the program. Students choosing this course of study will have 2 paths to choose from depending on their level of foreign language skills.

Report: Charter Schools Annual Report

Joe Pollack presented the Annual Report for Charter Schools. This report will soon be available on line. It highlights the high level of parental satisfaction and the high ratings of the charter schools and each school's unique distinction.

At the next Board meeting Joe Pollack will present 2 charter schools that are up for renewal, as well as a more in depth look at the report.

Meeting concluded at 2:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Woody, Administrative Secretary
Academic Affairs