

BOARD OF REGENTS**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY****RECOMMENDATION****EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS****ACTION REQUESTED**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty Status to one (1) former faculty member: Dennis M. Beagen, Department of Communication, Media & Theatre Arts from 1967 to 2012 (45 years). He retired November 30, 2012.

STAFF SUMMARY

The Collective Bargaining Agreement between Eastern Michigan University and the Eastern Michigan University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) provide 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 nomination for this individual has received the support of the department head, the dean of the college, and the Provost and Vice President.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

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

 University Executive Officer

 Date

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS RECOMMENDATION
December 6, 2012**

Dennis M. Beagen

Professor, Department of Communication, Media & Theatre Arts from 1967-2012
(45 years)

Masters	University of Michigan
Baccalaureate	Eastern Michigan University

Dennis M. Beagen

EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS RECOMMENDATION

Dennis Beagen provided 45 years of extraordinary and visionary leadership to students, faculty and staff of the Department of Communication, Media & Theatre Arts and Eastern Michigan University.

Hired first in 1967, Beagen always enjoyed his early roles as a classroom teacher and director of EMU Forensics. Under his leadership, EMU Forensics became known as a national powerhouse with the team earning its first national championship in 1973. From 1976 to 1981, a six-year run of national championships solidified EMU's dominance. The team now has placed in the "top 10" nationally for over 40 years and has won every Michigan State Team Championship for over 35 years.

Beagen, served as head of the Department of Communication, Media and Theatre Arts since 1981. During these 31 years of service he oversaw the growth of the department to one of the largest departmental producers of student credit hours for the University. This growth, in part, can be attributed to his student-centered leadership model.

His service to the University included various appointments, as called upon. These included serving as Acting Associate Provost and Interim Dean of Continuing Education. Notably he led the University's Undergraduate Symposium since 1983, serving as the chair and visionary of the event for the majority of those years.

Beagen, through the years, provided leadership to many fundraising and "friendraising" efforts. These initiatives span from the \$1.5-million "Build Theatre" campaign to improve the Quirk/Sponberg Theatre building to the \$17-million EMU "Campaign for Scholars" to raising over \$1-million for the Undergraduate Research Symposium.

A recipient of numerous awards, Beagen received the EMU Alumni Association's Dr. John Porter Distinguished Service Award in 2000, a Teaching Excellence Award from the Alumni Association in 1992, an Institutional Values Award in 2003 for Team Excellence (Undergraduate Symposium), the 2011 EMU Presidential Award for Faculty and Staff Leadership in Advancement, and has been a long-time member of the Twenty Club.

November 30, 2012 marked the end of his legendary career at Eastern Michigan University. However, his positive impact, precious spontaneity and powerful energy for this University provides a model worth emulating.



EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Division of Academic Affairs

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EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Communication, Media & Theatre Arts recommends the awarding of Emeritus Faculty Status for the following retiring/retired faculty member:

Name of Faculty Member: Dennis M. Beagen

Current Status/Rank at EMU: Professor

Date of Hire at EMU: 9/1/67 Retirement Date: November 30, 2012

Number of Years at EMU: 45 years (Minimum of 15 years of service required)

Please complete the following information on the retiring faculty 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: Eastern Michigan University 1966

Masters: University of Michigan 1967

Doctoral:

Please Attach a Brief Statement of Support to this Form

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

Recommended by Kathleen Stacey (please print) Date 11/1/2012

Department Head Date Dean Date

Provost Date Date Submitted to Board of Regents

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