

BOARD OF REGENTS

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION

HONORARY EMERITUS STATUS FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Board of Regents grant Honorary Emeritus Status for Meritorious Service to Dr. David Mielke, who served from 2004 to 2012 as Dean of the College of Business.

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.

Dr. David Mielke provided outstanding leadership for Eastern Michigan University. During his tenure, Dr. Mielke supported innovative program development in several areas, and helped prepare students for work in the global economy through his efforts with international academic partnerships. He increased opportunities for student professional engagement, and established strong partnerships with economic redevelopment agencies in the community. He also was responsible for a solid culture of ethics and professionalism, by working with faculty and students to establish the annual student-led Ethos Week, and obtained generous endowments to support ethics initiatives, bringing a lasting legacy of business ethics and professionalism to the College of Business and the university.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

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

Dr. David Mielke

(Served EMU for 8 years)

Dr. David Mielke provided exemplary and dedicated service to Eastern Michigan University from 2004 to 2012 as Dean of the College of Business. During his tenure, Dr. Mielke supported innovative program development in entrepreneurship, international business, integrate marketing communications, supply chain management and a course sequence in Google Ad-words search marketing. He helped prepare students for work in the global economy by expanding the geographic scope and tripling the number of international academic partnerships with EMU. Dr. Mielke encouraged applied and practical learning with the emphasis of student professional engagement through organizations such as the Association for Operations Management (APICS), the Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM), and Beta Alpha Psi. He encouraged student leadership through annual events such as Sesi Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization (CEO) Conference, and the Skandalaris Business Plan Competition for university, community college and high school students. Dr. Mielke also established strong community partnerships with economic redevelopment agencies, such as Ann Arbor SPARK and SPARK-East, and strengthened ties to the Michigan Small Business Technology Development Center to the College to serve small businesses throughout the region. Finally, he established a solid culture of ethics and professionalism by working closely with faculty and students to establish the annual student-led Ethos Week and obtained generous endowments to support ethics initiatives which provide the College and Eastern Michigan University a lasting legacy of business ethics and professionalism.