

SECTION: 3
DATE:

March 17, 2015

### RECOMMENDATION

### **EMERITUS STAFF STATUS**

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Staff Status to One (1) staff member: Melody Reifel Werner, Senior Associate Athletics Director, Office of Athletics, who retired on June 16, 2014.

#### STAFF SUMMARY

According to University policy, retiring Administration Professional (AP), Athletic Coaches (AC), Confidential Clerical (CC), Food Service, Custodial & Maintenance (FM), 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.

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University Executive Officer President	Date

## EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

## EMERITUS STAFF STATUS RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Athletics recommends the awarding of Emeritus	
Staff Status for the following retiring/retired staff member:	
Name of Staff Member: Melody Resel Wesses	
Current Status of EMU: Released	
Date of Hire at BMU: Savary 1996 Retirement Date: Sine 16, 2014	
Number of Years at EMU: 18 1000 (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 <u>EMU Faculty/Staff/Student Directory</u> .	
Home Address:	
Home Phone: ( ) Cell Phone:	
Email:	
Degree(s)/Institutions/Year: Baccalaureate: Commercate wat more	
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Please Attach a Statement of Support to this Form and Two Recommendation Letters.	
Emeritus Staff status is contingent upon the approval of the Board of Regents. The above information will be kept on file in the Board of Regents Office.	
Recommended by (please print)  Date  Supervisor  Date	
Phone Number Email Address	
Dean or Vice President  Date  Date  Date Submitted to Board of Regents Office	
Please forward this completed form to:  Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs 106 Welch Hall	



# EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

September 25, 2014

The Board of Regents
Eastern Michigan University
207 Welch Hall
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

Dear Members of the Board:

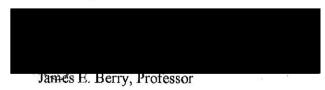
It is a pleasure to recommend Dr. Melody Reifel Werner for emeritus status at Eastern Michigan University. I have known Dr. Reifel Werner for approximately fifteen years as a colleague at Eastern Michigan University and as a student in the Educational Administration program. I served as her doctoral chair in her pursuit of the Ed.D. in educational administration.

Dr. Reifel Werner served as the interim Athletic Director (2013) and Associate Athletic Director/Compliance (and other duties as assigned) for the Eastern Michigan University athletic department from 1996-2014. She administered NCAA athletic compliance and handled the issues related to enforcement policies pertaining to NCAA rules for coaches, athletes, and university officials.

Dr. Reifel Werner was respected for her ability to work across the university with every level of the organization. She began her professional career at Eastern Michigan University in 1996, but also holds three degrees from EMU. She has a bachelor's degree in communications (1979), a Master's degree in communications (1998), and a doctoral degree in educational administration (2006). It is clear that Dr. Reifel Werner has gained and given to Eastern Michigan University. It is a pleasure to recommend Dr. Werner for emeritus status not only because of her service to Eastern Michigan University but because she will continue to serve as a devoted supporter of the institution.

With pleasure, I recommend Dr. Melody Reifel Werner for emeritus status at Eastern Michigan University.

Sincerely,





# EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

November 19, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Dr. Melody A. Werner. Dr. Werner is a graduate of the Educational Leadership doctoral program at Eastern Michigan University. I am the head of that department and have had the pleasure of working with Dr. Werner throughout her educational program. She has also been a colleague here as well.

It is my honor to nominate Dr. Werner for Emeritus Staff status at Eastern Michigan University. Dr. Werner served the university in a variety of capacities beginning in 1996 when she served as the Associate Athletics Director, Compliance & Special Projects Officer. Throughout that time she managed all aspects of NCAA Division I compliance, was responsible for Tile IX compliance and served as NCAA Liaison responsible for NCAA certification.

In the last three years of her career at EMU Dr. Werner was the Senior Associate Athletics Director/Administrator. She supervised nine women's sports and the men's track and cross country team. Dr. Werner represented our university nationally as an advisory board member for the College Athletics & Law newsletter, as a National Association Athletics Compliance (NAAC) board member, and as a peer reviewer for NCAA certification.

Dr. Werner has served Eastern Michigan University with grace and distinction. She deserves to be among the many special retirees who have received this prestigious Emeritus Staff status. Thank you for the opportunity to nominate Dr. Werner. Your consideration of this recommendation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Professor & Department Head
Department of Leadership & Counseling

Melody Reifel Werner retired on June 16, 2014 after 18 years of service at EMU. Melody was the Senior Associate Athletics Director in the Athletics Department. Melody served the University in a variety of capacities including Associate Athletics Director, Compliance & Special Projects Officer. She managed all aspects of NCAA Division I compliance, was responsible for Title IX compliance and served as NCAA Liaison responsible for NCAA certification. In her last 3 years of her career at EMU she was the Senior Associate Athletics Director/Administrator. Melody supervised 9 women's sports and the men's track and cross country teams. She always demonstrated professionalism and grace. She was respect for her ability to work across the university with every level of the organization. We are pleased to award the Emeritus Staff Award to Melody Reifel Werner.