

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 June 16, 2015 and the Minutes of the March 17, 2015 meeting be received and placed on file.

SUMMARY

The primary items for the June 16, 2015 Educational Policies Committee meeting include:

Agenda and Minutes; Academic Affairs Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers; Faculty Appointments; Faculty Reappointments; Faculty Promotions; Faculty Tenure Appointments; Lecturer Promotions; 2015-16 Faculty Research Fellowship Awards; 2015-16 Sabbatical Awards; Summer 2015 Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program Awards; New Academic Program: Spanish Minor; Charter Schools Board Member Appointments; Approval of Academic Calendar.

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

June 16, 2015
10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

AGENDA

- Section 15:** Agenda and Minutes (*Regent Crumm, Chair*)
- Section 5:** Academic Affairs Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers (*David Woike*)
- Section 6:** Faculty Appointments (*David Woike*)
- Section 7:** Faculty Reappointments (*David Woike*)
- Section 8:** Faculty Promotions (*David Woike*)
- Section 9:** Faculty Tenure Appointments (*David Woike*)
- Section 10:** Lecturer Promotions (*David Woike*)
- Section 16:** 2015-16 Faculty Research Fellowship Awards (*Jeffrey Kentor*)
- Section 17:** 2015-16 Sabbatical Awards (*Jeffrey Kentor*)
- Section 18:** Summer 2015 Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program Awards (*Jeffrey Kentor*)
- Section 19:** New Academic Program: Spanish Minor (*Rhonda Longworth*)
- Section 20:** Charter Schools Board Member Appointments (*Malverne Winborne*)
- Section 21:** Approval of Academic Calendar (*Rhonda Longworth*)

Discussion Items:

Update on Degree Completion and Retention Plan: Activities Surrounding Advising Quality; Men of Color Initiative Update

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 17, 2015
8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

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

Guests: (as signed in): S. Abraham, R. Baier, R. Barnes, M. Collett, K. Dobson, A. Dow, R. Goffeney, G. Hage, Regent Hawks, B. Heighes, D. Holubik, C. Karshin, J. Kindred, J. Kirk, W. Kraft, B. Kubitskey, K. Kucera, G. Larcom, L. London, R. Longworth, C. McFarland, S. McMullen, D. Miller, E. Morgan, M. Nair, C. Phillips, S. Quilter, V. Reaume, M. Rich, L. Salinas, C. Shell, B. Sipe, K. Stacey, W. Tornquist, Regent Treder Lang, T. Venner, T. Waltz, D. Woike, C. Wooster and P. Young.

Regent Crumm convened the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Report and Minutes (Section 12)

Regent Crumm requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for March 17, 2015 and Minutes of the December 5, 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 three (3) former faculty members: Steven Camron, Department of Special Education from 1987 to 2014 (who retired August 2014 after 25 years); Patricia Pokay, Department of Special Education from 1988 to 2014 (who retired December 2014 after 26 years); Norman Tyler, Department of Geography and Geology 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.

Academic Affairs Administrative Appointments and Transfers (Section 5)

Dr. David Woike, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs recommended that the Board of Regents approve one (1) administrative appointment and one (1) administrative transfer at the rank and effective date shown on the attached listing.

Academic Retirement and Separations (Section 6)

Dr. David Woike recommended that the Board of Regents approve five (5) retirements and six (6) separations for the period of September 1, 2014 through January 31, 2015.

STAFF SUMMARY

Of the eleven (11) retirements and separations, five (5) are female and six (6) are male. Demographics show that eight (73%) are Caucasian, two (18%) are African-American and one (9%) is Asian.

Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program Awards, Winter 2015 (Section 13)

Dr. Jeff Kentor, Associate Provost and Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies and Research recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file a Report on the Winter 2015 Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program Awards.

STAFF SUMMARY

The Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program is intended to facilitate research partnerships between undergraduate students and Eastern Michigan University faculty. Student awardees will receive a \$2,000 fellowship in support of their research efforts. This award will be in the form of a credit to the student's university account. The collaborating faculty member may receive \$500 to be used for lab/studio supplies or equipment, professional travel, or other professional expenses.

The Provost and Executive Vice President has awarded a total of \$18,000 to nine (9) undergraduate students and \$3,900 to eight (8) Eastern Michigan University faculty for research and creative projects under the Undergraduate Research Stimulus Program for winter 2015.

Provost's New Faculty Research Awards, 2015-2016 (Section 14)

Dr. Jeff Kentor recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file a Report on the 2015-16 Provost's New Faculty Research Awards.

STAFF SUMMARY

The Provost's New Faculty Research Award offers competitive awards of up to \$5,000 to faculty in their first or second year of employment to carry out carefully designed research or creative projects. The program is designed to help new faculty establish a research agenda that will make them more competitive for external funding. Awards must be expended during the 2016 fiscal year.

The Provost has awarded a total of \$148,352 to thirty-one (31) new Eastern Michigan University faculty for research and creative projects under the Provost's Research Award for New Faculty program for 2015-16.

Charter Schools Board Member Appointments/Reappointments (Section 15)

Dr. Malverne Winborne, Director of Charter Schools, recommended that the Board of Regents appoint Renee Pinter to a three year term, David Arditti and Catherine Jones to two year terms to the Board of Directors of Ann Arbor Learning Community; appoint Yvette Garcia to a two-year term to the Board of Directors of the Detroit Public Safety Academy; appoint Rebecca Domegan to a three year term to the Board of Directors of Global Tech Academy; and re-appoint Frederick Cheek to a three year term to the Board of Directors of Grand Blanc 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.

2013-14 Charter Schools Annual Report (Section 16)

Dr. Malverne Winborne recommended that the 2013-14 Charter Schools Annual Report be received and placed on file.

STAFF SUMMARY

During the 2013-14 school year, ten charter schools operated under the auspices of the Board of Regents of Eastern Michigan University. These schools enrolled approximately 3,600 students. As the fiscal agent for the schools, Eastern Michigan University's accounting office processed approximately \$24 million of state aid funding to the schools. The Charter Schools Office paid approximately \$133,000 in indirect costs to the University's General Fund.

The Annual Report includes a discussion of the history of the Charter Schools Office at Eastern Michigan University as well as a state and national perspective. Complete descriptions of each school, their mission statements, their performance indicators, vital statistics and a financial report are contained in the Annual Report.

Confirmation of Emergency Action by Charter Schools Office Director (Section 17)

Dr. Malverne Winborne recommended that the Board of Regents confirm the Eastern Michigan University's Charter Schools Office Director's emergency appointment of John Kirk as conservator of Gaudior Academy.

STAFF SUMMARY

In December of 2014, Malverne Winborne, Director of EMU's Charter Schools Office, acting under the authority of Section 9.6 of EMU's Charter with Gaudior Academy, took emergency action to appoint a conservator, to oversee the completion of the Academy's affairs and its charter with EMU. The conservator is working with the Academy's Bond Counsel and is managing compliance with all state and contractual obligations involved in the closing the Academy. Pursuant to the Charter, for the conservatorship to remain in place, the EMU Board of Regents must confirm this action at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

Commencement Speaker and Honorary Degree Recipients (Section 18)

Dr. Kim Schatzel, Provost and Executive Vice President recommended that the Board of Regents approve Sally Young, television producer, as morning Commencement Speaker at the Sunday, April 26, 2015 commencement ceremony. In addition, it is recommended that the Board award an honorary Doctor of Arts degree to Ms. Young.

It is also recommended that the Board of Regents approve Charlie Batch, former NFL quarterback, community advocate, author, media personality, entrepreneur and professional speaker, as the afternoon Commencement Speaker at the Sunday, April 26, 2015 commencement ceremony. In addition, it is recommended that the Board award an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree to Mr. Batch.

Discussion Items:

Dr. Kim Schatzel, and Dr. Rhonda Longworth provided an update on the Degree Completion and Retention Plan.

Michael McVey, Associate Professor, Department of Teacher Education provided an update on the Global Engagement Council.

Regent Crumm thanked those in attendance, and adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Clearwater
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Academic and Student Affairs