

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 December 8, 2015 and the Minutes of the October 13, 2015 meeting be received and placed on file.

SUMMARY

The primary items for the December 8, 2015 Educational Policies Committee meeting include:

Agenda and Minutes; Emeritus Faculty; Academic Affairs Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers; Charter Schools Board Member Appointments; New Policy: Degree Requirement Policy.

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

December 8, 2015
9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

AGENDA

- 9:30** **Section 10:** Agenda and Minutes (*Regent Crumm, Chair*)
- 9:36** **Section 5:** Emeritus Faculty (*David Woike*)
Section 6: Academic Administrative/Professional Appointments/Transfers (*David Woike*)
Section 11: Charter Schools Board Member Appointments (*Malverne Winborne*)
Section 12: New Policy: Degree Requirement Policy (*Rhonda Longworth*)

Discussion Items:

- 9:45** Update on Degree Completion and Retention Plan (*Rhonda Longworth*)
10:00 College Profile: College of Technology (*Mohamad Qatu*)

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EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 13, 2015
9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
205 Welch Hall

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

Guests: (as signed in): A. Dow, J. Hunsberger, W. Kraft, B. Kubitskey, K. Kucera, A. Martin, S. McMullen, M. Nair, M. Qatu, K. Rusiniak, C. Sanders, M. Sayler, W. Tornquist, and T. Venner

Regent Crumm convened the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Report and Minutes (Section 14)

Regent Crumm requested that the Educational Policies Committee Agenda for October 13, 2015 and Minutes of the June 16, 2015 meeting be received and placed on file.

Emeritus Faculty (Section 6)

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 five (5) former faculty members: Margo Dichtelmiller, Department of Teacher Education from 2000 to 2015 (who retired September 2015 after 15 years); Sue Stickel, Department of Leadership and Counseling from 1991 to 2015 (who retired August 2015 after 24 years); Gilbert Stiefel, Department of Special Education from 1989 to 2015 (who retired August 2015 after 26 years); Judy Sturgis Hill, Department of Communications, Media and Theatre Arts from 1991 to 2015 (who retired August 2015 after 24 years); and Donna Kay Woodiel, School of Health Promotion and Human Performance from 1998 to 2015 (who retired August 2015 after 17 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/Professional Appointments and Transfers (Section 7)

Dr. David Woike, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs recommended that the Board of Regents approve two (2) administrative transfers at the rank and effective date shown on the attached listing.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The salary would be absorbed in the 2015-2016 personnel budget.

Faculty Appointments (Section 8)

Dr. David Woike recommended that the Board of Regents approve six (6) new faculty appointments for the 2015-2016 academic year at the rank, salary, and effective date shown on the attached listing.

STAFF SUMMARY

Of the six (6) appointments, five (5) are female and one (1) is male.

Academic Retirements/Separations (Section 9)

Dr. David Woike recommended that the Board of Regents approve twelve (12) retirements and nineteen (19) separations for the period of June 16, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

STAFF SUMMARY

Of the thirty-one (31) retirements and separations, twenty (20) are female and eleven (11) are male. Demographics show that twenty-five (81%) are Caucasian, two (6%) are African-American, three (10%) are Asian, and 1 (3%) is Hispanic.

Charter Schools Board Member Appointments (Section 15)

Dr. Malverne Winborne, Director of Charter Schools, recommended that the Board of Regents re-appoint Marcella Bell to a three year term and appoint Belda Garza to a three year term to the Board of Directors of Academy for Business and Technology; re-appoint Curtis Robinson to a three year term to the Board of Directors of Commonwealth Community Development Academy; re-appoint Denise Bennett and Floyd Jean Webb to three year terms to the Board of Directors of the Joseph F. Pollack Academic Center of Excellence.

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.

Commencement Speaker and Honorary Degree Recipient (Section 16)

Dr. Kim Schatzel, Interim President, Provost and Executive Vice President, recommended that that Board of Regents approve Nancy M. Schlichting, Chief Executive Officer, Henry Ford Health System, as Commencement Speaker at the Saturday, December 19, 2015 commencement ceremony. In addition, it is recommended that the Board award an honorary Doctor of Business Administration degree to Ms. Schlichting.

New Academic Program: Neuroscience Interdisciplinary Major (Section 17)

Dr. Rhonda Longworth, recommended that the Board of Regents approve a new Academic Program Offering: Neuroscience Interdisciplinary Major (NSCI)

Neuroscience is a dynamic, rapidly growing interdisciplinary field that aims at understanding the carefully orchestrated structure and functions of the nervous system, and their role in behavior and various neurological diseases. The proposed Neuroscience Program is an undergraduate degree program in the College of Arts and Sciences. The program is a cooperative effort among the departments of Biology, Chemistry, and Psychology devoted to understanding brain-behavior structure, function and relationships and reflects the contemporary growth of neuroscience as its own discipline.

Discussion Items:

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

Dr. Heather Neff, Director, McNair Scholars Program presented an update on the program.

Dr. Melody Werner, Title IX Coordinator, presented an update on strategies and progress addressing Title IX issues on campus.

Regent Crumm thanked those in attendance, and adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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