

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
December 14, 2018

These are the proposed minutes of the December 14, 2018 Board of Regents meeting.

The meeting of the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents was called to order by Chairman Webb at 2:00 p.m. in Room 201, Welch Hall, Ypsilanti, Michigan.

The Board members present were: Regent Dennis Beagen, Regent Michelle Crumm, Regent Mike Hawks, Regent Eunice Jeffries, Regent Mike Morris, Regent Alex Simpson, Regent Mary Treder Lang and Regent James Webb.

Board members absent: None

There was a quorum.

Section 1

PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2018 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Regent Crumm moved and Regent Beagen seconded that the proposed minutes for the October 25, 2018 Board Meeting be approved as submitted.

Motion Carried

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Webb asked the Board if there were any items on the consent agenda the Board members wished to vote on separately. Hearing none, it was moved by Regent Treder Lang and seconded by Regent Morris that sections 2-7 be approved in their entirety as presented.

Section 2

STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve eight (8) staff appointments for the reporting period of October 2, 2018 through November 20, 2018: Karen Del Carpio, Sabrina Hussein, Allan Weirich, Matthew Lindberg, Nicholas Pomante, Lisa Hulett, Lauren Maleitzke and Virgil Dicus.

Section 3

STAFF SEPARATIONS/RETIREMENTS

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve twelve (12) separations and retirements for the reporting period of October 2, 2018 through November 20, 2018: Gregory Wester, Michael Malach, Erin Hunt-Carter, John Pribik, Steven Wilson, Joslyn DeGroot, Celia Murkowski, Brian Selfridge, Azhar McNeal, Chris Puzzuoli, Patricia Ridgley and Margaret Goodwin.

Section 4

EMERITUS STAFF STATUS

Recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Staff status to one (1) former staff member: Debra Craig, Senior Secretary, College of Business Marketing Department, who retired June 30, 2017.

Section 5

EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS

Recommended that the Board of Regents grant Emeritus Faculty status to five (5) former faculty members: Linda Berry, School of Nursing from 1992 to 2014 who retired after 21 years; Karen Schulte, Department of Special Education from 1988 to 2018 who retired after 30 years; Maria Sipos, Department of Visual and Built Environments from 1990 to 1992 and 2005 to 2018 who retired after 15 years; Jianhua Wang, Department of Engineering Technology from 2002 to 2018 who retired after 15 years; and Michael Zeiger, Department of Computer Science from 1975 to 2018 who retired after 43 years.

Section 6

HONORARY EMERITUS FACULTY STATUS

Recommended that the Board of Regents grant Honorary Emeritus status for Meritorious Service to former faculty member, Dr. Diane Parfitt.

Section 7

LECTURER APPOINTMENT

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve one (1) new lecturer appointment for the 2018-2019 academic year: Kevin Ball.

Motion Carried

REGULAR AGENDA

Chairman Webb asked the Board if there were any items in the Educational Policies section the Board members wished to vote on separately. Hearing none, it was moved by Regent Jeffries and seconded by Regent Crumm that sections 8-15 be approved in their entirety as presented.

Section 8

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE: APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Recommended that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the agenda for the December 14, 2018 meeting and the October 25, 2018 minutes.

Section 9

APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF CHARTER SCHOOLS BOARD MEMBERS

Recommended that the Board of Regents re-appoint Danielle Lang to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Detroit Public Safety Academy and appoint Jennifer Kotwicki to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Grand Blanc Academy.

Section 10

2017-2018 EMU CHARTER SCHOOLS ANNUAL REPORT

Recommended that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the 2017-2018 EMU Charter Schools Annual Report.

Section 11

ISSUANCE OF CHARTER: SUCCESS BLENDED LEARNING CENTER – JACKSON (9-12)

Recommended that the Board of Regents issue a charter for Success Blended Learning Center – Jackson (9-12) and authorize the President of the University to execute a new five-year charter school contract, commencing July 1, 2019.

Section 12

ISSUANCE OF CHARTER: SUCCESS BLENDED LEARNING CENTER – SAGINAW (9-12)

Recommended that the Board of Regents issue a charter for Success Blended Learning Center – Saginaw (9-12) and authorize the President of the University to execute a new five-year charter school contract, commencing July 1, 2019.

Section 13

FALL 2018 BRICKLEY ENDOWMENT FOR FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION AWARDS

Recommended that the Board of Regents accept and place on file the report on the Fall 2018 Brickley Endowment for Faculty Professional Development and Innovation Awards.

Section 14

NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM: COMPUTER SCIENCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve a New Academic Program: Computer Science (Bachelor of Arts).

Section 15

NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM: CYBER SECURITY, MASTER OF SCIENCE

Recommended that the Board of Regents approve a New Academic Program: Cyber Security (Master of Science).

Motion Carried

Section 16

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Regent Beagen moved and Regent Hawks seconded that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the agenda for the December 14, 2018 meeting and the October 25, 2018 minutes.

Motion Carried

Section 17

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Regent Crumm moved and Regent Beagen seconded that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the minutes from the October 25, 2018 Finance and Investment Committee meeting and the Working Agenda for the December 14, 2018 meeting.

Motion Carried

Section 18

2019-20 ROOM, APARTMENT AND BOARD RATES

Regent Crumm moved and Regent Morris seconded that the Board of Regents approve an average increase of 2.5% for all University housing and an increase of 2.7% for meal plan rates for FY 19-20.

Motion Carried

Section 19

FY 2019-2020 CAPITAL BUDGET

Regent Morris moved and Regent Jeffries seconded that the Board of Regents approve the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 University Capital Budget appropriation of \$15.2 million.

Motion Carried

Section 20

**REPORT: 2017-2018 EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION
CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT**

Regent Morris moved and Regent Crumm seconded that the Board of Regents receive and place on file the Eastern Michigan University Foundation Consolidated Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2018.

Motion Carried

Section 21

CAMPUS LAUNDRY EQUIPMENT AGREEMENT

Regent Crumm moved and Regent Morris seconded that the Board of Regents delegate to the President or designee to negotiate and execute a campus laundry services agreement extending to December 31, 2028.

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS AND PRESENTATIONS

TAB A

OLDS-ROBB RECIM RENOVATIONS

Bob Densic (Facilities), Wesley Howell and Michelle Owens (RecIM) gave a presentation on the planned improvements for the Olds-Robb RecIM Center.

TAB B

REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICIES

Chairman Webb asked the Board if there were any policy revisions the Board members wished to vote on separately. Hearing none, it was moved by Regent Treder Lang and Regent Hawks seconded that the Board of Regents approve the revisions to 6.2.2, 8.0, 8.5.1, 9.2, 11.4.2, 12.1.10, 12.2.8, 13.1.4, 13.2.1, 13.2.2 and 14.2.1.

Motion Carried

TAB C

DELETION OF BOARD POLICIES

Chairman Webb asked the Board if there were any policy deletions the Board members wished to vote on separately. Hearing none, it was moved by Regent Morris and Regent Crumm seconded that the Board of Regents approve the deletion of 9.3.6, 12.2.5, and 12.2.7.

Motion Carried

TAB D

ADDITION OF BOARD POLICY

Regent Simpson moved and Regent Beagen seconded that the Board of Regents approve the addition of board policy 13.1.5: Physical Plant Facilities Maintenance.

Motion Carried

TAB E

APPOINTMENT OF EAGLE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BOARD MEMBERS

Regent Simpson moved and Regent Treder Lang seconded that the Board of Regents, in accordance with the Eagle Administrative Services By-Laws, Article III, Section 3.2, appoint Regent Mike Hawks to serve a two-year term on the Eagle Administrative Services Board from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020 and Regent Eunice Jeffries to serve a two-year term on the Eagle Administrative Services Board from January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2020.

Motion Carried

TAB F

RESOLUTION: RECOGNITION OF THE WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM AND MAC COACH OF THE YEAR SUE PARKS

Regent Hawks moved and Regent Morris seconded that the Board of Regents approve the resolution recognizing the Women's Cross Country Team and the MAC Coach of the year, Sue Parks.

Motion Carried

TAB G

RESOLUTION: RECOGNITION OF FRANK SICKELSMITH AS THE DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER FOR WINTER 2018 COMMENCEMENT

Regent Treder Lang moved and Regent Morris seconded that the Board of Regents approve the resolution recognizing Frank Sickelsmith as the distinguished speaker for the Winter 2018 Commencement.

Motion Carried

TAB H

RESOLUTION: RECOGNITION OF MICHAEL MORRIS

Regent Webb moved and Regent Treder Lang seconded that the Board of Regents approve the resolution recognizing Regent Michael Morris for his distinguished service to the Board.

Motion Carried

TAB I

2019 MEETINGS

Regent Jeffries announced the Board of Regents meeting dates for the year of 2019: Thursday, February 7; Tuesday, April 23; Thursday, June 13; Friday, October 25; and Friday December 13.

TAB J

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President's Report
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
December 14, 2018

Mr. Chairman and Distinguished Members of the Board of Regents:

We have much to celebrate as we approach the end of the fall semester. Number one is Commencement Day tomorrow. Nearly 1,700 students are receiving degrees this semester. That includes 1,303 undergraduate students along with 374 graduate students, including 16 doctoral candidates. In addition, graduates from August also are eligible to participate, adding another 800 graduates. The Convocation Center will be packed with our graduating students and their families.

Prominent businessman and Eastern Michigan alumnus Frank Sickelsmith is our commencement speaker. He is the Global Director of Brand Development and Strategic Partnerships for the Autogrill Group. We encourage everyone to join us at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow for this rewarding celebration of student achievement.

We also are midway through finals week – and I know our students are working diligently to wrap up the semester. Our outstanding faculty leads the way in guiding students through this important step every year, and I thank them for their expertise, their care and their dedication. I am always proud to share recognition Eastern receives. Here are some recent accolades since the October Board of Regents meeting:

- For the 15th consecutive year, The Princeton Review has named our College of Business among the best in the nation;
- The MBA in International Business has been recognized as one of the nation's best for its global emphasis by OnlineMBA.com, and is the only university named in Michigan in this category;
- Eastern's Clinical Research program, which ranks high in many assessments, was ranked seventh in the nation by OnlineMasters.com and is the only clinical research program ranked in the state of Michigan;
- Eastern's chapter of Beta Alpha Psi, a national accounting honors organization, was again recognized internationally as a superior chapter.

In addition to those accolades, other recent academic and University achievements include these highlights:

- Dr. Tsu-Yin Wu, professor of Nursing, received a federal grant of nearly \$3 million to lead a broad effort to improve the health of Asian Americans in the Michigan counties of Wayne and Kent. Dr. Wu will serve as principal investigator on a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and lead a team of co-investigators, including EMU faculty members Dr. Alice Jo Rainville and Dr. Olivia Ford from Nutrition and Dietetics, and Dr. Xining Yang from Geography and Geology.
- The College of Health and Human Services held its second annual Interprofessional Education Day on Nov. 16. Eastern students from a variety of integrated health care disciplines confronted challenging scenarios during a day of patient simulations and teachable moments at St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor Hospital and at Rackham.

- Eastern hosted 450 middle school girls from across metro Detroit for the eighth annual Digital Divas event hosted by the College of Technology. The program featured hands-on activities in cyber security, coding, chemistry, drones, robotics, and other technology-based areas.
- And, in fundraising, we set a single-day giving record for the #GIVINGTRUEDAY campaign on Nov. 28, bringing in more than \$875,000 through a combination of grassroots fundraising, collaboration with campus community and major gifts. We surpassed our goal of a half-million-dollars.

One of Eastern's signature events will take place early in the new year. The annual celebration of the life of Dr. Martin Luther King will take place from January 17-22, with a keynote address by CNN political commentator Keith Boykin on Monday, January 21. For the complete schedule and details, please visit the website at www.emich.edu/mlk.

Tomorrow, our football student athletes, band members, and cheer team will experience what for many is a once-in-a-lifetime experience – participating in a bowl game. Tomorrow's Raycom Media Camellia Bowl features the Eagles vs. Georgia Southern in Montgomery, Alabama. Game time is 5:30 p.m.– the game will be nationally televised on ESPN. Congratulations to Coach Creighton, the coaching staff, all of the athletes, and particularly our faculty and staff who help prepare all of our students for moments in their lives such as this. Go Eagles!

As we approach the conclusion of today's meeting, I would like to acknowledge Regent Michael Hawks, who has been appointed to a second term on the Board of Regents. I also would like to acknowledge incoming Regent Rich Baird who begins his term in January.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of one of Eastern's finest graduates, Regent Mike Morris. Regent Morris is a two-time graduate of Eastern with both bachelor's and master's degrees. He also received a juris doctorate degree from the Detroit College of Law. A nationally-recognized energy executive, Regent Morris has served on the Board of Regents for two terms -- from 1997 to 2004 and again from 2011 to today, and served as Chair for three years. Today marks his final Board meeting as a Regent and I want him to know how much I value his leadership and friendship, and I speak for many in acknowledging the powerful impact he has had on Eastern over the years. Thank you, Mike.

Other accomplishments are listed in the Appendix to this report on the University website. Thank you, Chairman Webb.

James M. Smith, Ph.D.
President

Of Note

- Students who have earned an **associate nursing degree at Henry Ford College can transfer their credits to Eastern** under an agreement announced Oct. 31. The agreement was a joint effort between Eastern's School of Nursing and HFC's School of Health and Human Services.
- The new **Eagle Engage Corps pilot program** focuses on efforts to re-engage current and former Eastern undergraduate students who started at EMU but were unable to continue due to financial challenges. The program combines student debt forgiveness and public service to give students another opportunity to finish their degrees.
- The November episode of **EMU Today** featured the award-winning **Forensics** program, one of the best programs in the Nation, and Eastern's partnerships with community colleges. The program can be seen on Eastern's YouTube channel and on Xfinity on Demand.

Events

- **MLK Week**, Eastern's annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be held Jan. 17-22. The keynote speaker will be CNN political commentator Keith Boykin.
- The **EMU Theatre** presented "James and the Giant Peach," directed by Dr. Christine Tanner, on Nov. 30 – Dec. 9
- The **Alumni Association** held its annual "**Lights Before Christmas**" event at the Toledo Zoo on Nov. 17.
- A **Veterans Day reception** was held on Nov. 8 at the Lt. Colonel Charles S. Kettles Military and Veteran Services Resource Center in honor of Eastern's student, faculty, and staff veterans.
- The **Fall Career Fair** was held on Nov. 7, bringing together Eastern students and a wide range of employers.

Athletics

- Cross Country (Women): The women's cross country team won its **fourth consecutive Mid-American Conference Championship**.
- Cross Country (Women): **Natalie Cizmas, Madison Distelrath, Sydney Meyers, and Ashleigh Simonis** were named to the Academic All-MAC team.
- Cross Country (Men): **Ian Cook, Solomon Costa, Phoenix Myers, and Austin Wicker** earned Academic All-MAC honors.

- Football (Men): **Blake Banham** and **Mike Van Hoven** were named Google Cloud Academic All-District by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).
- Football (Men): Ten student-athletes were named to **All-Mid-American Conference Teams**, the second-most in program history. The students honored were **Blake Banham, Vince Calhoun, Maxx Crosby, Jeremiah Harris, Brody Hoying, Jake Julien, Jimmy Leatiota, Steve Nielsen, Pat O'Connor, and Kyle Rachwal.**
- Football (Men): The EMU football team will take on Georgia Southern University in the **2018 Raycom Media Camellia Bowl** on Dec. 15 in Montgomery, Alabama.
- Soccer (Women): **Marla Cobetto, Mia Colavito, Mikayla Cupp, Alia Frederick, Aubry Martin, Sabrina McNeill, Kristin Nason, Madeline Olson, Tessa Osborne, and Kaylin Williams** were named **Academic All-MAC.**
- Soccer (Women): **Kristin Nason** named to the **Google Cloud Academic All-District First Team**, and to the **Google Cloud All-America Third Team** by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).
- Soccer (Women): **Sabrina McNeill** was named to the **United Soccer Coaches All-Midwest Second Team.**
- Soccer (Women): **Sabrina McNeill** garnered **All-MAC First Team** honors and **Kristin Nason** was named to the **All-MAC Second Team.**
- Volleyball (Women): The EMU volleyball team made history by winning the program's first-ever **MAC Championship**, earning its **first NCAA Tournament appearance** in program history.
- Volleyball (Women): **Cassie Haut, Alyssa LaFace, and Jordan Smith** were named to the **All-MAC First Team.**
- Volleyball (Women): **Cassie Haut, Alyssa LaFace, Mallory Rajewski, Camille Schomer, and Jordan Smith** were named to the **Academic All-MAC team.**
- Volleyball (Women): **Alyssa LaFace** was named to the **American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-Region team.** She is the first to receive the honor since 2002.
- EMU student-athletes posted a **Graduation Success Rate (GSR) of 85 percent**, an increase of two points over last year, and a 13-point jump from 2010-11.

TAB K

OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

Vice President Reaume announced that one (1) person requested to address the Board of Regents. The speaker was given up to three (3) minutes to speak.

1. Kevin Doak – I will update the Board regarding the status of eliminating athletes, and the reinstatement efforts. Also, the petition to recognize Sa ‘Derian Perry as a wrestling All – American athlete.

Chairman Webb reminded attendees that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 7, 2019. He called for any further business to be brought before the Board. There being none, Regent Morris made a motion to adjourn. Regent Treder Lang seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Reaume
Vice President and Secretary to the Board of Regents