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Victoria Kok Professor Emerita Librarian for the Veterinary Medical Library

Carolyn Meier Associate Professor Emerita of the University Libraries

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 2012 and continuing for five years, Steven Blank, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a department head and faculty member in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to agricultural and applied economics by giving leadership to the department focusing on the department's teaching, research, extension, and outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the community as a department head; and

WHEREAS, he supported the faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he gave leadership to in delivering a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses ranging across the agricultural and applied economics curriculum, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he gave leadership to faculty in conducting research programs and advising students on master's thesis and doctoral dissertations, which helped the students develop successful careers in both academic and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Steven Blank, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Agricultural and Applied Economics.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Steven Blank, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1982 and continuing for 35 years, Daniel Taylor, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics by teaching classes, conducting research, and advising students; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the community as a professor; and as a long-term chair of the university's Commencement Committee and

WHEREAS, he supported graduate and undergraduate students both within and outside the classroom; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he delivered a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses ranging across the agricultural and applied economics curriculum, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he gave leadership in conducting research programs and advising students on master's thesis and doctoral dissertations, which helped the students develop successful careers in both academic and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Daniel Taylor, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Agricultural and Applied Economics.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Daniel Taylor, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1998 and continuing for 19 years, Edward Dorsa faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Industrial Design Department, in the School of Architecture + Design, in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies (CAUS); and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to industrial design through his work in reforming design education as a valuable member of our faculty, a former vice president of education for the Industrial Designer's Society of America, and as an accreditation commissioner for the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD); and

WHEREAS, he was awarded the CAUS Lifetime Contribution Award in 2017, for his continued advancement of the Virginia Tech Industrial Design Program; and

WHEREAS, he was awarded Virginia Tech's 2012 XCaliber Award, given to an interdisciplinary team for their use of technology in advancing student success; and

WHEREAS, he was awarded the Excellence in Studio Teaching by the School of Architecture + Design Award; and

WHEREAS, he was the recipient of the university's Certificate for Teaching Excellence; and

WHEREAS, he was the recipient of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies Award for Excellence in Outreach; and

WHEREAS, he was a critical member of an interdisciplinary research team that was awarded a grant of nearly \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, he is recognized internationally for his specialty in industrial design Education and continues to hold workshops in China, Hong Kong, and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, he was named by Design Intelligence as "one of the 40 most admired industrial design educators of 2006"; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses ranging across Industrial Design curriculum, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he authored or co-authored over 16 refereed journal articles and conference papers; and

WHEREAS, he brought attention to Virginia Tech by chairing two educational symposiums sponsored by Eastman Chemical; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of leadership as the assistant director of the School of Architecture + Design and chair of the Industrial Design Program; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Edward Dorsa for his distinguished service to the university with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Industrial Design.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Edward Dorsa for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, Dr. Fred C. Lee faithfully served Virginia Tech for 40 years in the College of Engineering, beginning in 1977; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty in the Bradley Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE), he pioneered the development of the power electronics curriculum and its research program and both are recognized among the best in the world; and

WHEREAS, he was the founder and Director of the Virginia Power Electronics Center (VPEC), a Technology Development Center for the Virginia Center for Innovative Technology (CIT) from 1987-97, he was responsible for promoting technology transfer and commercialization of VPEC's intellectual properties; and

WHEREAS, he served as the founder and director of the Center for Power Electronics Systems (CPES), a National Science Foundation Engineering Research Center (ERC), and the only one in the Commonwealth of Virginia. He initiated and led the development of novel integrated power electronics modules to facilitate systems integration and automated manufacturing for power electronics, in a manner similar to integrated circuits for microelectronics. During the 10-year period from 1998 to 2008, CPES, which secured over \$80M from NSF and industry, consisted of five universities and a consortium of 96 industry partners. To date, some of its major achievements are: 307 degrees awarded (117 Ph.D. and 190 M.S.); over 1,800 technical papers, theses, and dissertations; 51 patents and 384 licenses granted, 27 power electronics courses available for distance-learning access. CPES was cited by NSF as a model ERC for its Industry Collaboration and Technology Transfer Program as well as Education and Outreach Program; and

WHEREAS, he founded one of the largest university/industry partnership programs in the U.S. and developed an innovative process for moving technology and intellectual property out of academic laboratories and into the marketplace. The program attracted numerous industry sponsored research projects. In addition, the program has earned an annual gift support in excess of \$2.5M, which provides 35 graduate fellowships and supports its world-class research facilities. To date, more than 215 companies worldwide have benefited from this program. The total gift contributions exceed \$32M; and

WHEREAS, he is the world authority in high-frequency power conversion design, modeling and control. His pioneering works in soft-switching techniques have revolutionized and formed the core technologies of modern power electronics equipment and systems. Lee's novel multi-phase voltage regulator modules are used to power every microprocessor (CPU, GPU) and memory device used in smart phones, PCs and servers, and mobile devices in the world.

WHEREAS, he served as a major advisor of 93 master's and 84 Ph.D. students, and published over 290 journal papers, 710 referred conference papers, and 82 U.S. patents with an additional 22 patent applications pending. According to Microsoft H index, he was

ranked as one of the top three most cited people from over 1 million engineering authors;
and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering, an academician of the Taiwan's Academia Sinica and a foreign member of the Chinese Academy of Engineering. He is one of the founding members of the Board of Directors of the Virginia Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine, a University Distinguished Professor, and an Inaugural member of the Virginia Tech Entrepreneur Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, he was awarded IEEE Fellow, IEEE William E Newell Power Electronics Award, IEEE Medal in Power Engineering, and the prestigious Ernst-Blickle Award of which he is one of only two US recipients. Three of his former students were elected as academic members - Dushan Boroyevich and Milan Jovanovic were elected as a members of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering and Bo Cho of the Seoul National University was elected as a member of the Korea Academy of Engineering.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Fred C. Lee, Ph.D. for his service to the university with the title of University Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Fred Lee, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1976 and continuing for 40 years, Dr. Frederic J. Baumgartner has faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of History in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, with dedication and skill, he taught numerous undergraduate and graduate courses, placing strong emphasis on maintaining standards and promoting student learning; and

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master's theses and helped them succeed in further graduate study and successful careers; and

WHEREAS, he developed an international reputation as a leading scholar of early modern France, military history, and the Reformation; and

WHEREAS, he authored nine books (including one that received the Charles Smith Book Prize from the Southern Historical Association), 17 journal articles, seven book chapters, 56 encyclopedia entries, and 49 book reviews; and

WHEREAS, his research was supported with numerous grants and fellowships that brought distinction to him and the university, including a Fellowship of Early Modern Studies from the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, a Newberry Library Research Fellowship, several research grants from the American Philosophical Society, an NEH Travel-to-Collections Award, an NEH Summer Stipend, the Dudley Award in the History of Astronomy, and the Pollack Award in the History of Astronomy; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his many and varied contributions to research and teaching, the Virginia Social Sciences Associations named him Historian of the Year in 2002; and

WHEREAS, he served the profession with dedication and distinction, including several positions in the Sixteenth Century Studies Conference, vice president and president of the Southern Historical Association-European Section, vice president and president of the American Catholic Historical Association; and

WHEREAS, he served as a manuscript reviewer for dozens of commercial and academic publishers, as well as numerous leading historical journals; and

WHEREAS, he served on a wide variety of committees, commissions, and organizations at Virginia Tech, including roles as vice president and president of the College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Association, chair of the Faculty Senate Committee on Faculty Ethics, and president of the Virginia Tech chapter of the American Association of University Professors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Frederic J. Baumgartner for his distinguished services to the university and the profession with the title of Professor Emeritus of History.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Frederic J. Baumgartner for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1978 and continuing for 39 years, Theodore Daniel Fuller, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the fields of demography, Third World urbanization, rural sociology, and the sociology of health; and

WHEREAS, he has published two books and numerous articles, chapters, and research reports; and

WHEREAS, he served as Senior Fulbright Scholar helping to promote the development of the social science research capability at Khon Kaen University, Thailand; and

WHEREAS, he successfully taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses; and

WHEREAS, he mentored and advised many undergraduate and graduate students and was honored with the Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award; and

WHEREAS, he served on the college's Graduate Committee for many years and served as the department's Graduate Director for three years; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of professional service to the program, department, college, university, and profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Theodore Daniel Fuller, Ph.D. for his service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Sociology.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Theodore Fuller, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1974 and continuing for 43 years, Kent Holliday, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Division of Performing Arts, the Department of Music, and the School of Performing Arts | Music | Theatre | Cinema in the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to music at Virginia Tech through his achievement of writing over 65 compositions during his tenure, which have been performed in hundreds of concerts on campus, in the region, at distinguished state and national conferences, and recorded in six different collections; and

WHEREAS, he achieved international renown as a composer by winning prizes such as the Aliener International Harpsichord Competition, the Barto Prize, First Prize at the Delaware New Music Conference Music Festival, First Prize at the Virginia Music Teachers Association Composition Competition five times between 1983-2009, and American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) Plus Awards ten times between 2003-2014; and

WHEREAS, with dedication and tremendous skill, he taught a wide variety of undergraduate courses across the full music curriculum, including piano, music literature, music theory, and composition, producing a legacy of strong student achievement; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Kent Holliday, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Music.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Kent Holliday, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1991 and continuing for 26 years, Kathleen Jones, Ph.D. has faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of History in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, with great dedication and skill, she developed and taught five undergraduate and five graduate courses and developed numerous teaching innovations, including online teaching modules, student-produced class books, digital storytelling, and others; and

WHEREAS, she was a pioneer in the use of digital history for teaching and was the recipient of numerous grants supporting her innovative work in this area, including a National Endowment for the Humanities Exemplary Education Grant; and

WHEREAS, she served as chair or member of more than 50 M.A. or Ph.D. committees, offering thoughtful mentoring and unfailing support to each of her students; and

WHEREAS, as director of Graduate Studies in the Department of History for 10 years, she served with great distinction and skill, leading curriculum reform, creating new policies and procedures, and providing new professional development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, she received numerous awards for her teaching and mentoring, including the XCaliber Award for Exemplary Work by a Team in Teaching with Technology, the e-Learning Design Honorable Mention from the e-Learning Laboratory at the University of Kansas, the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences Award for Excellence in Graduate Advising, and the Alumni Award for Excellence in Graduate Advising; and

WHEREAS, she was a leading expert on the history of the child guidance movement in America and the history of youth suicide; and

WHEREAS, she authored a book published by Harvard University Press, one of the nation's leading academic publishers, 14 articles and book chapters, 11 reference work entries, and 26 book reviews and essays; and

WHEREAS, she received numerous research grants and fellowships that brought distinction to her and the university, including a National Humanities Center Fellowship and a National Library of Medicine Publication Grant; and

WHEREAS, her insightful blog, The Retiring Professor, attracted a large readership and led to a feature article in the Chronicle of Higher Education; and

WHEREAS, she generously and ably served the department, college, university, and profession in numerous capacities and with great distinction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Kathleen Jones, Ph.D. for her distinguished service to the university and the profession with the title of Associate Professor Emerita of History.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Kathleen Jones, Ph.D. for emerita status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1992 and continuing for 25 years, Eric E. McCollum, Ph.D., faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Human Development in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the field of marriage and family therapy through his excellent teaching, scholarship, and clinical work on substance abuse, domestic violence and mindfulness meditation; and

WHEREAS, with great dedication, he taught a wide variety of graduate courses on marriage and family therapy models and techniques, domestic violence, substance abuse, ethics, and mindfulness, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he ably and generously served the community as an experienced and innovative clinician; and

WHEREAS, he served the field of marriage and family therapy as an outstanding clinical supervisor, receiving the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy Training Award, and as a member of the Virginia Board for Counseling, as well as a contributing member of several therapy-related professional associations and editorial boards; and

WHEREAS, he advised master's theses and doctoral dissertations of numerous students and helped them develop successful careers in both academic and clinical settings; and

WHEREAS, he was principal and co-investigator on grants and contracts implementing and assessing the effectiveness of intervention programs for substance abuse, domestic violence, and at-risk families and children; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the Department of Human Development, College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, and the university through leadership roles as clinical director and program director of the Marriage and Family Therapy master's program in the National Capital Region; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Eric E. McCollum, Ph.D., for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Human Development.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Eric E. McCollum, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 2000 and continuing for 17 years, Fred P. Piercy, Ph.D., faithfully served Virginia Tech and the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences as head of the Department of Human Development, associate dean of Graduate Studies and Research, and as a faculty member in the Department of Human Development; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, Dr. Piercy taught undergraduate and graduate courses on addiction, professional writing, and marriage and family therapy, placing strong emphasis on student engagement; and

WHEREAS, he advised and mentored doctoral students, helping them prepare for successful careers in university and clinical settings, and has been recognized for his mentoring efforts with numerous university and national advising and mentoring awards; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions that advanced understanding of the lives of couples and families through his scholarship on marriage and family therapy education, substance abuse intervention, research methods in marriage and family therapy, and cross-national marriage and family therapy; and

WHEREAS, he authored or co-authored over 200 refereed journal articles, book chapters, and reviews, including outreach publications and presentations directed toward couples and families; and

WHEREAS, he received prestigious professional honors and awards, including the American Family Therapy Association Lifetime Achievement Award and the Outstanding Contribution to Marriage and Family Therapy Award from the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy; and

WHEREAS, he held leadership positions in professional organizations, including the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education, and editor of the Journal of Marital and Family Therapy; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished leadership and contributions to the department and the college through dedicated service on numerous committees, including serving as the director of College Diversity Initiatives for the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Fred P. Piercy, Ph.D., for his distinguished service to the university with the title of Professor Emeritus of Human Development.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Fred Piercy, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 2005 and continuing for 12 years, Barbara Ellen Smith, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Women's and Gender Studies Program in the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies and the Department of Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts & Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions to the fields of women's and gender studies, sociology, geography, and Appalachian studies, publishing four books and numerous academic articles and chapters; and

WHEREAS, she aided the transition of women's and gender studies to the Department of Sociology; and

WHEREAS, she served as director of the Women's and Gender Studies Program; and

WHEREAS, she successfully taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses; and

WHEREAS, she mentored and advised undergraduate and graduate students and was honored with the ASPECT Outstanding Faculty Award, the Department of Sociology Outstanding Graduate Faculty Award, and the Department of Sociology Undergraduate Teaching Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, she provided many years of professional service to the program, department, college, and university;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Barbara Ellen Smith, Ph.D. for her service to the university with the title Professor Emerita of Women's and Gender Studies.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Barbara Ellen Smith, Ph.D. for emerita status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1969 and continuing for 48 years, Ezra A. “Bud” Brown, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Mathematics in the College of Arts and Sciences and, later, in the College of Science; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to number theory and related areas of mathematics; and

WHEREAS, he received six national writing awards from the Mathematical Association of America; and

WHEREAS, his dedicated and stimulating teaching was recognized with an ODK G. Burke Johnston Award, an Edward S. Diggs Teaching Scholar Award, a William E. Wine Award, and a Mathematical Association of America MD-DC-VA Section John M. Smith Award; and

WHEREAS, the beneficiaries of his mentoring included 22 colleagues who won awards for teaching, advising, or outreach, 17 undergraduate research students, 28 M.S. students, two Ph.D. students, several Honors Scholars, and over 50 Department of Defense summer interns; and

WHEREAS, his extensive university service, particularly in curriculum development and on leadership search committees, included eight years of service on and two years as chair of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies; and

WHEREAS, his extensive professional service was recognized by a Mathematical Association of America MD-DC-VA Section Sister Helen Christensen Service Award; and

WHEREAS, for all of these reasons and many others, he was named an Alumni Distinguished Professor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Ezra A. “Bud” Brown, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Alumni Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Mathematics.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Ezra A. “Bud” Brown, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, Khidir W. Hilu, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech for 36 years in the College of Science, beginning in 1981; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty in the Department of Biological Sciences, he has taught our flagship undergraduate courses in plant taxonomy and plants and civilization and six additional courses including a summer course in the Swiss Alps; and

WHEREAS, he won teaching awards from the Department of Biological Sciences, the College of Science, and was a College of Science nominee for the Wine Award; and

WHEREAS, he held a Fulbright Scholarship to train graduate students and faculty in techniques of DNA fingerprinting at University of Bin Zuhor, Morocco and was an invited scientist at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation in Australia, the departments of genetics at Cairo University, and Estação Agronómica Nacional, Oerias, Portugal; and

WHEREAS, he was a member of the editorial boards for the South American Journal Kurtziana, the Journal of Systematics and Evolution, and the international review board of the Annals of Botany; and

WHEREAS, he served on multiple departmental, college, and university committees and served as a reviewer for multiple granting agencies and professional journals and served national and international professional societies in many capacities; and

WHEREAS, he mentored 24 graduate students, six post-doctoral appointees, some 60 undergraduates in research; and

WHEREAS, he authored and co-authored 116 peer reviewed publications including journal papers, book chapters and has been a party to some \$7M in federal, state, university, and foundation grant funds; and

WHEREAS, he presented multiple invited research talks at symposia and society meetings in the U.S. and in some 20 countries around the world;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Visitors recognizes Khidir W. Hilu, Ph.D. for his service to the university with the title of Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Khidir W. Hilu, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1993 and continuing for 20 years, Deborah F. Cook, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech in the Pamplin College of Business; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty in the Department of Business Information Technology, she was a dedicated teacher of a wide range of courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and having received the Pamplin College Certificate of Teaching Excellence and the University Certificate of Teaching Excellence; and

WHEREAS, she advised and counseled numerous graduate students in the Department of Business Information Technology during her career including service as chair of three doctoral dissertation committees and membership on 22 doctoral committees; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions in research in the field of operations and supply chain management authoring over 40 research articles in her career, and was recognized by an appointment to the Verizon Professorship of Business Information Technology in the college; and

WHEREAS, she dutifully served on over 30 departmental, college, and university commissions and committees; and

WHEREAS, she served in a number of important offices and on numerous professional committees including editor-in-chief of the *Production and Inventory Management Journal*;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Visitors recognizes Deborah F. Cook, Ph.D. for her service to the university with the title of Verizon Professor Emerita of Business Information Technology.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Deborah F. Cook, Ph.D. for emerita status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in August 1977 and continuing for 40, John M. Pinkerton, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Finance, Insurance and Business Law in the Pamplin College of Business; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to research through publications in outstanding journals that contributed to the stature of the department and the university, and brought international visibility to Virginia Tech; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught more than 20 courses representing a variety of undergraduate and graduate instruction ranging across the finance curriculum, while placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master's theses and doctoral dissertations and helped them develop successful careers in both academic and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous commissions and committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes John M. Pinkerton, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Finance.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending John Pinkerton, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 1973 and continuing for 44 years, Victoria Kok faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the University Libraries; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions to the veterinary medicine profession through her research focusing on libraries resources and support; and

WHEREAS, she ably served the veterinary medicine library global community in leadership positions such as the creator and moderator for veterinary medicine libraries listserv; and

WHEREAS, through her work in the veterinary medicine library community, she brought international visibility to Virginia Tech; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, she taught a wide variety of graduate courses focusing on research and library resources, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, she provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Victoria Kok for her distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emerita Librarian for the Veterinary Medical Library.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Victoria Kok for emerita status be approved.

September 10, 2017

RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in May 2006 and continuing for over 11 years, Carolyn Meier faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the University Libraries; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions to undergraduate education through her extensive service and leadership on the University Curriculum Committee for General Education as member, vice-chair and chair, the library's efforts in the First Year Experience Program, her many years of service to selecting the Virginia Tech Common Book, and her extensive efforts to make connections between undergraduates and the University Libraries; and

WHEREAS, she ably served the community as the liaison to the students in university studies and concentrated on reaching out to underserved students; and in her time at the University Libraries created successful programs for the Corps of Cadets and the athletic department; and

WHEREAS, she supported the First Year Experience program as the First Year Experience Librarian from May 2011 for six years, and has both taught sessions herself for the University Studies classes, and helped all liaison librarians plan, design and assess their First Year Experience programs; and

WHEREAS, she supported assessment of both in-person and online instruction through her chairing of a committee that created the Information Literacy Competency Test still used by the First Year Experience program; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, she aided the transition of the University Libraries graduate course, GRAD 5124 from in-person to online instruction, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; created modules on evaluating information and plagiarism that were taught courses in psychology and business, taught several online library and information studies courses for the University of Buffalo, including the creation and teaching of a course; and

WHEREAS, she was co-principal investigator on grants researching instructional enhancement through building a community of practice; and

WHEREAS, she held leadership positions in professional organizations, including co-chair for the American Libraries Association Library Instruction Round Table Transition to College committees; and

WHEREAS, her work in an online course through the American Libraries Association on using iPads, tablets and gadgets in teaching, brought international visibility to Virginia Tech; and

WHEREAS, she co-edited two books and authored or co-authored seven refereed journal articles, book chapters, and reviews with a focus of using technology to enhance the student learning experience; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Carolyn Meier for her distinguished service to the university with the title Associate Professor Emerita of the University Libraries.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Carolyn Meier for emerita status be approved.

September 10, 2017