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RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 29 years, Carlyle C. Brewster, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Entomology in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to entomology through his contributions in quantitative ecology focusing on approaches for the management of arthropod pests in natural, urban and agricultural ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, his extensive expertise and its demand within a variety of agricultural field made his program interdisciplinary and allowed for a high degree of collaboration across a broad range of commodity profiles and disciplines; and

WHEREAS, he faithfully served as graduate program director for the Department of Entomology for more than a decade, providing unfailing academic and moral support to scores of successful graduates; and

WHEREAS, he was principal or co-principal investigator on numerous grants in excess of $2.5M supporting the land grant mission of the university, specifically with his quantitative support of programs across the full spectrum of entomological research; and

WHEREAS, he taught in a number of classes related to design and analysis of experiments, research information systems, insect behavior and ecology and information technology and was major advisor for 13 students working on their master's and doctoral degrees, and helped them develop successful careers in both academia and industry; and

WHEREAS, he was active in the Entomological Society of America through service on numerous committees at the branch and national levels, including service as subject editor for Environmental Entomology was the recipient of the Distinguished Teaching Award from the Eastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America; 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 recognize Carlyle C. Brewster, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Entomology.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Carlyle C. Brewster for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 30 years, James Pease, 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, with dedication, he provided the Commonwealth with a wide variety of nationally recognized and respected Extension education programs ranging across multiple topic areas including state and federal food and agricultural policy, environmental and natural resource policy, and rural and community economic development; and

WHEREAS, his research program supported his outreach activities, focusing on the economics of water quality protection at the farm, watershed, or regional levels as well as on community and regional economic development analysis, economic impacts analysis, regional economic development, and industrial development of bioenergy; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of Ut Prosim (That I May Serve) he was nominated for membership on the Chesapeake Bay Program Science and Technology Advisory Committee (STAC), which is tasked with providing scientific and technical analysis and review of policies to protect and restore the Chesapeake Bay Program. He served STAC with distinction for eight years, first as a Committee member and later as an Executive Board member, providing analysis of economics policies with the potential to affect water quality protection; and

WHEREAS, he developed and taught a popular undergraduate course on food and agricultural policy, which in turn complemented and informed his state and region-wide outreach education programs. In addition, he coauthored a recent textbook on the evolution and economics of United States agricultural policy; and

WHEREAS, he supported undergraduate and graduate students with grant funds and many hours of academic and career advising, including development and coauthoring of popular and research journal articles on wide ranging topics such as farm computer business recordkeeping, impacts of agricultural policies on agricultural businesses, and farm management decision making under uncertainty; and

WHEREAS, he provided distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university over many years through dedicated service on committees and programs. He served the department as Extension coordinator and College Liaison over many years; and

WHEREAS, he contributed his background and expertise in the Land Grant System, receiving a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University, Master's degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. in agricultural economics from Michigan State University;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognize Dr. James Pease, for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Agriculture and Applied Economics.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. James Pease for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 33 years, Peter B. Schultz, Ph.D. faithfully served as a member of the university community in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Department of Entomology at the Hampton Roads Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Virginia Beach; and

WHEREAS, he served as entomologist and director of the Hampton Roads Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Virginia Beach from 1992-2017; served as interim director of the Eastern Shore Agricultural Research and Extension Center from 1996-1997 and 2010-2012; and served as interim associate director of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station from 2004-2006; and

WHEREAS, he was principal or co-principal investigator on numerous grants supporting the land grant mission of the university, specifically with his research on developing and integrating novel strategies for managing insect pests in ornamental nurseries and landscapes; and

WHEREAS, he was co-leader of a long-term, highly productive collaboration with a team whose outcomes resulted in numerous research publications and led to strategies that greatly reduced pesticide usage for managing ambrosia beetles in nurseries; and

WHEREAS, his research outcomes served as the foundation of his entomology extension program that delivered numerous extension programs and publications to stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, he lectured in a number of classes and was an advisor for students working on their master's degrees both on-line and traditional, and doctoral degrees, and helped them develop successful careers in both academia and industry; and

WHEREAS, he led in the inception of the first off-campus graduate program in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in 1992, and taught the first class of the new program; and

WHEREAS, he was active in the Entomological Society of America through service on numerous committees at the branch and national levels, including president of the eastern branch, and was the recipient of the Herb T. Streu Meritorious Service Award from the eastern branch of the Entomological Society of America for outstanding service to the society in 2017; and

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

WHEREAS, he served his community in a number of public outreach activities including programs for special needs children; and

WHEREAS, he received his bachelor of science degree from the University of California, Davis; his master of science degree from Midwestern State University, and his Ph.D. from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Peter B. Schultz, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title of Professor Emeritus of Entomology.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Peter Schultz for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 23 years, Dr. Bernice L. Hausman faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of English in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences and in the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, she taught over 25 undergraduate and graduate courses, directed the undergraduate research of 15 students, and chaired nine doctoral committees and 8 master's committees, twice winning the Outstanding Dissertation Advisor in the Social Sciences, Humanities and Business Award; and

WHEREAS, through her interdisciplinary work on feminist theory and literature, gender, transsexualism, breastfeeding, and vaccine controversy, she brought national and international visibility to Virginia Tech; and

WHEREAS, she authored four books and more than 25 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters; and

WHEREAS, she received numerous grants, including one from the National Endowment of the Humanities; and

WHEREAS, her scholarly contributions have been recognized through awards such as the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences Excellence in Research and Creative Scholarship Award and the Edward S. Diggs Professorship in Humanities; and

WHEREAS, she has served the university as president of the Faculty Senate, as chair of the Department of English, and as a member of numerous other university, college, and department committees; and

WHEREAS, her local, national and international outreach on issues related to health and the humanities includes numerous invited talks, presentations, and other forms of advocacy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Bernice L. Hausman for her distinguished service to the university with the title of Edward S. Diggs Professor Emerita in the Humanities.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Bernice L. Hausman for emerita status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 10 years, Susan Downing Day, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in both the Department of Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation in the College of Natural Resources and Environment and the Department of Horticulture in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions to the field of urban forestry through her work in urban soils and tree response to soil management and site design; and

WHEREAS, she brought national and international visibility to Virginia Tech through her leadership in Urban Forestry 2020 and her service on the International Science and Research Committee of the International Society of Arboriculture; and

WHEREAS, she was recognized and honored across the profession for her work, with awards and honors that include the International Society of Arboriculture’s L.C. Chadwick Award for Research in 2017 and the Early Career Scientist award in 2010. She received the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture’s Award of Merit in 2008 and again in 2018 in recognition of her exemplary service to the profession; and

WHEREAS, she has authored or co-authored more than 36 refereed journal articles and more than 30 book chapters, edited books, or conference proceedings;

WHEREAS, she taught undergraduate and graduate students in urban forest management, urban ecology, environmental site design, and plant establishment, emphasizing both scientific principles and practical solutions in the field;

WHEREAS, she advised numerous students on master's and doctoral dissertations and helped them develop successful careers in both academic and professional settings; 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 Susan Downing Day, Ph.D. for her distinguished service to the university with the title Associate Professor Emerita of Urban Forestry.

RECOMMENDATION:
That the above resolution recommending Susan Downing Day, Ph.D. for emerita status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 17 years, Tom Fox, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation in the College of Natural Resources and Environment; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the field of forestry through his work in forest soils and silviculture that focuses on intensive plantation management; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the College of Natural Resources and Environment as The Honorable Garland Gray Distinguished Professor of Forestry from August 2014 to July 2017; and

WHEREAS, he brought national and international notoriety to Virginia Tech by establishing and serving as VT Site Director of the National Science Foundation Center for Advanced Forestry Systems from July 2007 to July 2017; and

WHEREAS, he was recognized and honored across the profession for his work, with awards and honors that include the USDA National Partnership Award for Research and Extension (2016), the Society of American Foresters Barrington Moore Award (2013), being named Fellow of the Soil Science Society of America (2012), being named Fellow of the Society of American Foresters (2012); and

WHEREAS, he has authored or co-authored more than 110 refereed journal articles and book chapters, and been principal or co-principal investigator on research grants exceeding $38M; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught undergraduate and graduate courses in forest soils, silviculture, sustainable forest management, and forestry field skills, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master's 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 committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Tom Fox, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Honorable Garland Gray Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Forestry.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Tom Fox, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 24 years, Brian R. Murphy, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a department head and faculty member in the Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation in the College of Natural Resources and Environment; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to fisheries science and higher education through his work with state and federal agencies and professional societies focusing on the conservation and management of game and non-game fish species; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the community as a teacher, scholar, and leader; and

WHEREAS, he supported the American Fisheries Society, and numerous state and federal agencies both here and abroad; and

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

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master’s 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 committees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Brian R. Murphy, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Fisheries Science.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Brian R. Murphy, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 37 years, David Bevan, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Biochemistry in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to an increased understanding of fundamental biochemical processes through his work in the application of computational methods to protein structure, function, and dynamics focusing on disease-related proteins and their interactions; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the community as program director for the interdisciplinary Ph.D. program in Genetics, Bioinformatics, and Computational Biology for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, he supported the undergraduate advising mission; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses ranging across the biochemistry, bioinformatics, and computational biology curriculum, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master's 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 committees;

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

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending David Bevan, Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph Oliver Falkinham, III faithfully served Virginia Tech for 44 years in the College of Science, beginning in 1974; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty in the Department of Biological Sciences, he has taught the flagship undergraduate course in genetics and multiple advanced courses in microbial genetics and molecular biology for undergraduate and graduate students; and

WHEREAS, he is a Fellow in the Royal Society of Public Health, London, awarded an Outstanding Teaching Award in the Department of Biological Sciences, the Gardner Middlebrook Award for Mycobacteriology by the American Society of Microbiology; and

WHEREAS, he has mentored 19 M.S. and seven Ph.D. students and served on multiple graduate advisory committees in the Department of Biological Sciences and other departments; and

WHEREAS, he has maintained consistent research funding from federal agencies such as the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, he has authored and co-authored three books, 31 book chapters, 25 invited review articles for scientific journals and published 136 peer-reviewed papers in journals, has presented multiple invited papers and lectures on mycobacteria at national and international meetings and is considered an international authority; and

WHEREAS, he has served on multiple departmental, college and university committees and chaired several at each level, served on three different professional editorial boards and was Editor for the International Journal of Microbiology;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Joseph O. Falkinham III for his service to the university with the title of Professor Emeritus of Microbiology.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Joseph O. Falkinham III for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 32 years, Dr. Harry W. Gibson has faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Chemistry first in the College of Arts and Sciences and later in the College of Science; and

WHEREAS, he served on a variety of departmental committees, including chairing key search and departmental review committees; and

WHEREAS, with knowledge and skill, he taught lecture courses in undergraduate organic chemistry, notably the major organic laboratory course SynTech for nearly a quarter of a century, as well as graduate courses in polymer chemistry, placing strong emphasis on understanding fundamentals and applying them creatively to advance the properties of real world materials; and

WHEREAS, he funded, supported and mentored 51 undergraduate researchers and encouraged them to pursue advanced degrees, with nearly half subsequently earning Ph.D.s; and

WHEREAS, he funded and served as major advisor to 12 students who earned M.S. degrees and 23 students who earned Ph.D. degrees, preparing them to contribute positively to the technical needs of the world through chemistry; and

WHEREAS, he funded and mentored 31 postdoctoral associates and helped them develop new skills and knowledge to better serve science and technology; and

WHEREAS, he holds 36 United States patents, has co-authored more than 375 peer reviewed publications including journal articles, reviews and book chapters, earning an h-index of more than 67, and has personally accounted for more than $8M in grant funds and participated as co-PI in $43M worth of interdisciplinary grants; and

WHEREAS, through his research he developed an international reputation as an innovator in synthetic chemistry and particularly the field of supramolecular chemistry, leading to more than 230 invited lectureships at meetings, universities and companies nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his expertise in organic and polymer chemistry, journals sought him out to review more than 1,125 research papers over the past 23 years and national and international funding agencies requested his opinions on 184 research proposals over that time frame; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Harry W. Gibson for his distinguished services to the university and the profession with the title of Professor Emeritus of Chemistry.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Harry W. Gibson for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 26 years, Michael F. Hochella, Jr., Ph.D., faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Geosciences in the College of Science; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to local, regional, and global environmental science through his work in geochemistry and mineralogy focusing on nanoscience and nanotechnology;

WHEREAS, he ably served the scientific community as an author of nearly 200 papers and book chapters; amassing nearly 15,000 citations with an H-index of 65; and

WHEREAS, he supported over 40 Ph.D. students and post-doctoral scholars; and

WHEREAS, he served on high level advisory committees to the National Science Foundation and the Department of Energy, and also served as President of the Geochemical Society, and the Mineralogical Society of America; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught thousands of students a total of ten different undergraduate and graduate courses ranging over the fields of geochemistry, mineralogy, resource geology, general earth science, and nanoscience, placing strong emphasis on motivational and student-centered learning, achieving an excellent student perception of teaching record over the last 12 years of his teaching career; and

WHEREAS, he was awarded the Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award from SCHEV in 2016 as well as multiple honors, awards, and medals for his scientific contributions, and was awarded Fellowship in eight scientific societies, including the Royal Society of Chemistry, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Geophysical Union; 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 Michael F. Hochella, Jr., Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title University Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Geosciences.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Michael F. Hochella, Jr., Ph.D. for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 30 years, Judy Riffle, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Chemistry in the College of Arts and Science and the College of Science; and

WHEREAS, she made significant contributions to polymer science in the fields of biomaterials for drug delivery, polymer composites for defense and aerospace, and separation membranes for water purification and gas separations; and

WHEREAS, she ably served the community as a summer mentor for middle school students on science and to outstanding summer undergraduates for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, she supported the National American Chemical Society in almost every capacity including national chair and vice-chair, national programming chair, and national workshop chair; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, she taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses ranging across all levels in the chemistry, macromolecular science and engineering and graduate school curriculum, placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning; and

WHEREAS, she was a prime architect of one of the first intercollegiate graduate degrees in Macromolecular Science and Engineering at Virginia Tech, and was its first director; and

WHEREAS, she served as the major professor to advise students on 64 master’s and doctoral dissertations and helped them develop successful careers in both academic and industrial settings; 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 Judy Riffle, Ph.D. for her distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emerits of Chemistry.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Judy Riffle, Ph.D. for emerita status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 33 years, Dr. David M. Moore faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Biomedical Sciences and Pathobiology in the College of Veterinary Medicine, in the Basic Science Education Department in the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, as an adjunct faculty member in the School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences, and an affiliate faculty member at The Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught and lectured in undergraduate, graduate, and professional courses in all nine colleges at the university, proving human and animal research compliance training, as well as federally mandated research integrity and responsible conduct of research training; and

WHEREAS, he developed and established a Lab Animal Medicine Residency Program, producing four graduates who went on to successful careers in lab animal medicine for the government, universities, and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, he directed one master's and one doctoral student, and served on over 14 master's and doctoral committees in three university programs; and

WHEREAS, he served as University Attending Veterinarian from 1985 to 2001, and in an interim capacity from 2007 to 2009; and

WHEREAS, from 2009 to 2012 he participated in the design of and oversaw the commissioning and opening of three new vivaria facilities, and assisted in the process leading to the initial full accreditation of the college by the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care International; and

WHEREAS, he served with distinction as the Associate Vice President for Research Compliance from 2000 to 2017; and

WHEREAS, he developed, organized, and established the Office of Research Compliance, oversaw transition to electronic submission/records/databases, ensured customer friendly service, and compliance with federal laws, regulations, and guidelines related to animal research, human subjects, recombinant DNA and biosafety, radiation safety, export and secure research compliance, and research integrity; and

WHEREAS, he authored or co-authored 27 book chapters and reviews, served as a reviewer for five professional journals, and presented invited lectures at national and international scientific meetings; and

WHEREAS, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees, including service on the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, Institutional Biosafety Committee, the Institutional Review Board and Research Support Council; and

WHEREAS, he was principal or co-investigator on grants researching biocompatibility of implantable biotelemetry devices, animal welfare education, and epidemiology of rabies in Virginia; and
WHEREAS, he served on proposal review panels for the National Institutes of Health, Qatar National Research Fund, and National Science Foundation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. David M. Moore for his distinguished service to the university with the title Associate Professor Emeritus of Veterinary Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION:
That the above resolution recommending Dr. David M. Moore for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 29 years Dr. John Brozovsky served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems in the Pamplin College of Business; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty in the Department of Accounting and Information Systems, and in its predecessor, the Department of Accounting, he was a dedicated teacher of a large number of courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels; and

WHEREAS, he served as the accounting students' undergraduate academic adviser for over ten years, and

WHEREAS, he published numerous refereed journal articles in both academic and practice related journals, and refereed proceedings in the accounting and tax area; and

WHEREAS, he served on numerous dissertation committees and made numerous presentations at academic meetings; and

WHEREAS, he conducted numerous workshops and seminars on personal use of computers in accounting and taxation that were well received by his audience; and

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

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. John Brozovsky for his service to the university with the title of Associate Professor Emeritus of Accounting and Information Systems.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. John Brozovsky for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 21 years, Dr. Kent Nakamoto faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Marketing in the Pamplin College of Business; and

WHEREAS, he diligently served as head of the Department of Marketing from 1999-2013; and

WHEREAS, he implemented systems that advanced the reputation of the college as associate dean for research from 2008-2013 and as associate dean for research and faculty affairs from 2014-2017; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught a wide variety of undergraduate, graduate courses and served on the dissertation committees of numerous doctoral students in the Department of Marketing, and

WHEREAS, he published numerous refereed journal articles in academic journals in marketing, co-authored two books and several book chapters, made numerous presentations at prestigious academic conferences; published numerous refereed proceedings, and gave numerous invited presentations increasing the college and university’s reputation; and

WHEREAS, he twice received the annual William F. O’Dell Award for an article published in the Journal of Marketing Research judged to have made the most significant long term contribution to the marketing discipline; and

WHEREAS, he provided exemplary leadership as special assistant to the dean in preparation for and successfully leading the college through a successful re-accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Dr. Kent Nakamoto for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Marketing.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Kent Nakamoto for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 13 years, Paul Hover faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the University Libraries; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the University Libraries through his work in the areas of cataloging and in international outreach; and

WHEREAS, he ably served the community as an assistant director for international outreach initiatives; and

WHEREAS, he supported the University Libraries' scholarly serials cataloging modernization and automation processes; and

WHEREAS, he established the University Libraries' international outreach program, including a librarian exchange collaboration between Virginia Tech and Cape Peninsula University of Technology (South Africa); and

WHEREAS, he partnered with faculty from across campus on a TEAM Malawi project that involved assisting Mzuzu University toward rebuilding its library collection after a devastating fire; and

WHEREAS, he provided national and international service, representing Virginia Tech on the American Library Association's International Relations Round Table and as a delegate to the International Federation of Library Associations and Institution's Standing Committee on Series and Other Continuing Resources for eight years; 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 Paul Hover for his distinguished service to the university with the title Associate Professor of Emeritus, University Libraries.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Paul Hover for emeritus status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 37 years, Wanda Hankins Dean faithfully served Virginia Tech as a vice provost for enrollment and degree management; and

WHEREAS, after 26 years serving as university registrar, she became Virginia Tech’s first vice provost of enrollment and degree management, overseeing six units including the Office of University Registrar, the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, the Office of University Scholarships and Financial Aid, the Office of Summer and Winter Sessions, the Office of Research and Analysis, and the Office of Degree Management; and

WHEREAS, as the university’s first vice provost for enrollment and degree management, she unified several units on campus to create a framework for collaboration and to fully embrace a common mission to attract, enroll, and graduate a highly qualified, talented, and diverse student body, all the while increasing access and affordability; and

WHEREAS, as vice provost, she built a framework for strategic enrollment planning in support of the university’s strategic goals, initiated new recruiting and scholarship utilization efforts, created a framework for degree management and planning, and launched new academic programs in special sessions; and

WHEREAS, through her work experience and skill, she enabled Virginia Tech to make significant advancements in application, retention, and graduation rates, positioning, Virginia Tech to move its global land-grant vision forward; and

WHEREAS, In 2015 she successfully petitioned to bring to Virginia Tech the Hispanic College Institute, a three-day program that invites Hispanic high school sophomores and juniors in Virginia to campus to attend workshops and seminars on college admissions, financial aid, and the college search process; and

WHEREAS, she launched Summer Academy in 2012, a program designed to help new students transition to the university while earning college credit, and a new special academic session between fall and spring known as Winter Session, which began in 2014 and now helps current and visiting students stay on track for graduation; and

WHEREAS, she played a significant role in establishing the Office for Veterans Services that not only facilitates access to Virginia Tech, but also contributes to the academic success for veterans and military students; and

WHEREAS, her deep knowledge and understanding of the university allowed her to form effective and collaborative teams, streamlining policies, increasing financial aid and scholarships, and developing innovative majors and strategic curricula changes that have all contributed to an environment that shaped the university’s Beyond Boundaries vision;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Wanda Dean Hankins for her distinguished service to the university with the title of vice provost emerita for enrollment and degree management.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Wanda Dean Hankins for emerita status be approved.

April 1, 2019
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITA STATUS

WHEREAS, beginning in 2008 until her retirement in 2018, Dr. Cynda Ann Johnson served the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine as founding dean, chief academic officer, and president; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with Carilion Clinic, Virginia Tech, the Virginia Tech Carilion Research Institute, the Jefferson College of Health Sciences, the city of Roanoke, and other key partners, she participated in the development of education, clinical and research initiatives aimed at advancing health care in the region; and

WHEREAS, her illustrious academic career includes a bachelor of arts degree in German (honors) and biology from Stanford University, an M.D. degree from the University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine and a master’s in business administration from the University of Kansas; and

WHEREAS, her professional career included leadership roles at several institutions including at the University of Iowa, where she served as professor and head of the Department of Family Medicine in the College of Medicine, professor in the Department of Community and Behavioral Medicine in the College of Public Health, and director of the Family Care Center; and at East Carolina University (ECU) where she served as dean of the Brody School of Medicine and senior associate vice chancellor for clinical and translational research in the Division of Research and Graduate Studies and led the development of the ECU Center for Health Disparities Research; and

WHEREAS, she served her profession and the medical community with distinction as the president of the American Board of Family Practice (now Family Medicine), the American Board of Medical Specialties; and has received numerous awards including the American Board of Medical Specialties Distinguished Service Award, the F. Marian Bishop Leadership Award from the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, the NAACP 17th Annual Citizen of the Year Award, and the North Carolina Academy of Family Practice Presidential Service Award; and

WHEREAS, as dean her approach to medical education is informed by many successful years of providing patient care in family medicine and maternal and child health; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as dean, four classes of students graduated; each class exceeding the national mean score on Step 1 and Step 2 licensing exams and earning a 100 percent match rate to residency programs; and

WHEREAS, she is also credited with establishing the first Department of Interprofessionalism within U.S. medical schools, where students take classes and learn with other health professional students – in such disciplines as nursing, physician assistant, occupational therapy, and EMT/paramedic, among others – in all four years of the curriculum; and

WHEREAS, under her tenure, the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine became an independently accredited private school, and was integrated into Virginia Tech as the university’s ninth college with Carilion Clinic as a partner providing faculty and the clinical experience for students; and

WHEREAS, her leadership over the past decade will support the success of its students, faculty, and staff for decades to come, and has established the school as a driving force in
the development of the Virginia Tech Carilion Health Sciences and Technology Campus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognize Cynda Ann Johnson, M.D. for her distinguished service to the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine with the title Dean Emerita of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine.

RECOMMENDATION:
That the above resolution recommending Dr. Cynda Ann Johnson, for emerita status be approved.

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