SUMMARY
Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Resolutions (3)
June 3, 2019

College of Architecture and Urban Studies (3)
Salahuddin Choudhury  Professor Emeritus of Architecture
Brian Cook  Professor Emeritus of Public Administration and Policy
Hans Rott  Professor Emeritus of Architecture
RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 45 years, Professor Salahuddin Choudhury faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the architecture programs in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies; and

WHEREAS, he sustained an unwavering commitment to the Vitruvian ideal of the education of an architect across four decades of teaching; and

WHEREAS, he developed a graduate teaching model grounded in questions of philosophy, knowledge, aesthetics and culture in relation to the education of an architect; and

WHEREAS, he advocated the study of literature and poetry as important aspects of a professional education in architecture; and

WHEREAS, he was a mentor of teachers, playing a fundamental role in the ways in which younger faculty members developed according to their own strengths; and

WHEREAS, he raised the importance of the idea of connoisseurship as a form of aesthetic judgment in relation to the education of an architect; and

WHEREAS, he encouraged students to study film, photography and music as important components of their education; and

WHEREAS, he participated in numerous study abroad programs in Europe, guiding architecture students to better understand their place in the world; and

WHEREAS, he produced numerous graphic designs including posters, award certificates and compact disc album covers for the Audubon Quartet; and

WHEREAS, he published scholarly articles on the ideas of symbol and model; and

WHEREAS, he dedicated his deep capacities as a scholar in support of the primary teaching mission of the university.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Professor Salahuddin Choudhury for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Architecture.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Professor Salahuddin Choudhury for emeritus status be approved.

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RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 11 years, Brian Cook, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member at the Center for Public Administration and Policy in the School of Public and International Affairs in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies; and

WHEREAS, he made significant contributions to the field of public administration and constitutionalism through his work on American political development, and the politics of public policy design and implementation; and

WHEREAS, he served as program chair in the Center for Public Administration and Policy from 2010 through 2014, and again from 2018 through 2019; and

WHEREAS, with dedication, he taught a wide variety of graduate courses ranging across the public administration and policy curriculum; and

WHEREAS, he advised numerous students on master's and doctoral dissertations placing strong emphasis on standards and student learning, helping those students develop successful careers in both academic and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, he authored four books, 17 journal articles and book chapters, and 16 journal editorials; and

WHEREAS, he held leadership positions in professional organizations, including serving as editor-in-chief for the journal Administration and Society; and

WHEREAS, he served as a policy analyst providing research design and data analysis to federal agencies, local governments, and not-for-profit organizations; 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 Cook, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title of Professor Emeritus of Public Administration and Policy.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

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RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS

WHEREAS, for over 41 years, professor Hans Christian Rott faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Architecture Programs in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies; and

WHEREAS, he made exemplary teaching contributions to the education of architects across four decades in the professional undergraduate and graduate programs; and

WHEREAS, he developed a design studio teaching model based on the complementarity of the sensible and intelligible realms of architecture; and

WHEREAS, he led numerous study abroad and residency programs; including leading the first semester long program in Basel, Switzerland; and

WHEREAS, he played an instrumental role in the establishment of the college’s Washington-Alexandria Architecture Center in Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, he established the Center for History and Theory of Architecture with the purpose of fostering the intellectual capacities of students; and

WHEREAS, he led one of the first major design-build efforts with architecture students at the Pelican Point Yacht Club at Smith Mountain Lake, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, he served as chair of the graduate programs in the School of Architecture + Design; and

WHEREAS, after the devastating earthquake in Haiti he led multiple student groups there to offer architectural design expertise and assistance in rebuilding efforts; and

WHEREAS, he was a guest critic, presenter, panelist, exhibitor and lecturer in China at the School of Architecture and Urban Planning, Shangdong Jianzhu University and the University of Saint Joseph (Macao); and

WHEREAS, he sustained his considerable energy and intelligence in support of the primary teaching mission of the university.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Visitors recognizes Professor Hans Christian Rott for his distinguished service to the university with the title Professor Emeritus of Architecture.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution recommending Hans Christian Rott for emeritus status be approved.

June 3, 2019