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March 2009

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2. Recommendations for approval of reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected administrative staff.

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   (1) Abecasis, Goncalo, Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, effective April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2014 (also associate professor of biostatistics, with tenure.)

   (2) Cooney, Kathleen A., M.D., Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology, Medical School, effective March 1, 2009 through August 31, 2014 (also professor of internal medicine, with tenure, and professor of urology, without tenure.)

   (3) Galea, Sandro, M.D., Dr.P.H., professor of emergency medicine, without tenure, Medical School, effective March 1, 2009 (also professor of epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health.)

   (4) Goldman, Karla, Sol Drachler Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work, effective March 1, 2009 through August 31, 2013 (also professor of social work, with tenure.)

   (5) McCall, Brian P., professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective January 1, 2009 (also professor of education, with tenure, School of Education, and professor of economics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)
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(6) Tardif, Twila Z., director, Center for Human Growth and Development, effective January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 (also professor of psychology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.)

(7) Yoon, Euisik, associate professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2009 (also associate professor of electrical engineering and computer science, with tenure.)

4. Recommendations for approval of leaves of absence for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff.

(1) Dahm, Werner J.A., extension of a one-year leave of absence, effective October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 (professor of aerospace engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering.)

5. Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff.

(1) Antonucci, Toni C., associate vice president for research – social sciences and humanities, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective May 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012 (also Elizabeth M. Douvan Collegiate Professor of Psychology, professor of psychology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and associate dean for academic initiatives and interdisciplinary studies, Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies.

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Action Request: Faculty Appointment Approval

Name: Geoffrey Thün

Title: Associate Professor of Architecture, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Tenure Status: Without Tenure

Effective Date: September 1, 2009

Appointment Period: University Year

On the recommendation of the Promotion and Tenure Committee, and with the approval of the Executive Committee of the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geoffrey Thün as associate professor of architecture, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, effective September 1, 2009.

Academic Degrees
Geoffrey Thün holds a Master of Urban Design from the University of Toronto (2007); a Bachelor of Architecture (1996) and a Bachelor of Environmental Studies (1994), both from the University of Waterloo; and a Bachelor of Arts in sociology from the University of Western Ontario (1988).

Professional Record
Geoffrey Thün is currently on the faculty at the University of Waterloo School of Architecture in Canada, where he has taught as an assistant professor (2006-2009) and as an adjunct assistant professor (2004-2006). Prior to that time he was an adjunct faculty member at Ryerson University (2004) and the University of Waterloo (1996-1998). Professor Thün practiced professionally for over ten years before embarking on a teaching career. From 1998 to 2004 he was a project architect and associate in the Toronto-based firms of Baird, Sampson, Neuert and the Dereck Revington Studio. In 1997, he established a practice with Kathy Velikov, called Velikov + Thün Building Studio. In 2006, they joined forces with additional partners to form RVTR. This collaborative considers architecture, urban design, and landscape in terms of their environmental, social, and cultural dimensions.

Summary of Evaluation
Professor Thün’s efforts to date fall into three broad categories: award-winning design practice, his own firm’s work and more speculative projects, and a developing line of sustainability work/scholarship/advocacy that has attracted significant external funding.
The works are at a range of scales, from single-family houses to entire infrastructural systems. He conceives of practice collaboratively, replacing the traditional role of the architect with a more entrepreneurial model. His essential philosophy argues that cultural evolution must be coupled with technological advances to realize social change.

Professor Thün’s most recent direction has been sustainability-based scholarship and advocacy through design. This work is taking shape through two key projects: the Post Carbon Highway, investigating the future of mobility infrastructure when cars are no longer the primary mode of transportation, and the North House, a collaborative entry into the bi-annual Solar Decathlon in Washington, DC.

His record of external funding provides another form of vetting and recognition. While many design faculty use design work as a basis for writing, few architectural program faculty have tapped research funding at the level or with the entrepreneurial zeal that Professor Thün has achieved thus far in his academic career. External funding to date (from diverse sources such as the US Department of Energy, the Canadian Design Research Network, MITACS/Accelerate Ontario, and Canada Council for the Arts) totals more than $422,000.

Versatility, sensitivity, and technological savvy are core values Professor Thün wishes to impart in his teaching. He sees a central charge of the academy as nurturing the ability for students to operate across political and global boundaries, collaborating and finding both the universal and the unique in diverse, complex situations. The search committee that recommended hiring Professor Thün summarized its convictions regarding his fit and potential to contribute to the architectural curriculum: “Because his own design work could serve as an exemplar of how students might begin to incorporate knowledge of the nuances of landscape performance into their architectural design considerations, the committee is confident that he will be able to effectively foreground those issues in his design studio teaching.”

Anecdotal evidence gathered through student letters and direct observation attests to the high regard with which Professor Thün is held as a design studio teacher and critic by students. Eleven letters from former students were unanimously positive regarding their experiences in his classroom and the impact Professor Thün’s lessons continue to offer. The letters illuminate Professor Thün’s great capacity for stimulating hard work, for getting students to consider a breadth of topics bearing upon architecture, and for providing an example of integrating technical and cultural knowledge.

EXCERPTS FROM EXTERNAL REVIEWERS:
Reviewer A: “To these ends Professor Thün has been utilizing all the tools at his disposal and being very effective in intermingling his scholarship, teaching and service towards productive ends.”

Reviewer B: “The work of Mr. Thun is of a very high quality and extremely valuable in the context of both an academic setting and the advancement of professional practice.”

Reviewer C: “In my opinion, Professor Thün’s combination of professional know-how and speculative design research is extremely valuable – and too often missing in faculty members
who tend to have much more of one than the other. His professional work deserves to be highly valued within academia and recognized as evidence of his ability to follow through with his ambitions.”

Reviewer D: “…I feel that his accomplishments in both research and architectural design are not only commendable for a faculty member at his stage of development; they are truly quite remarkable.”

Reviewer E: “[Thün] articulates a collaborative sensibility that draws on his strengths as a designer and manager. Many of the professional works demonstrate his ability to lead projects with complex collaboration [between] structures and mechanics.”

Reviewer F: “Professor Thün’s work is important, signaling an emergent generation of architects capable of developing more robust and serious understandings of the environment through integrated design. … Professor Thün’s professional work and research in integrative design provides unique content that well serves his students and school curriculum.”

Reviewer G: “Thün, like many in his generation, has a strong interest in the intersection of ecology and architecture, of site and structure. What is significant about his take on these issues is his concern for making ecological flows spatial, considering site issues from a cultural as well as a scientific perspective, and for engaging the amorphous flows and phenomena of the site through the precision of the section.”

PUBLICATIONS:
2008 “Velikov & Thün of RVTR receive Young Architect’s Award from the Architectural League of New York” Canadian Architect, May 2008: Vol. 53, Number 5 : 8
2008 “Thomas L Wells Public School” and “French River Visitor Centre” in 1000x Architecture of the Americas (Berlin: Verlagshaus Braun): 131, 132

AWARDS
2008 Living Steel Extreme Housing Limited Invited Competition, ‘Latitude Housing System’: Cherepovets, Russia Honorable Mention (RVTR)
Kathy Velikov & Geoffrey Thün (RVTR)
2008 A.I.A. Institute Honor Awards for Architecture, Thomas L. Wells Public School (Baird Sampson Neuert Architects)
2008 Canadian Museums Association (CMA) Award for Outstanding Achievement, Facility Development and Design Category, French River Provincial Park Visitor Centre (Baird Sampson Neuert Architects)
SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATION

Geoffrey Thün will take a leadership role in sustainability and the intersection of ecology and design. His expertise and experience in architecture, landscape architecture and urbanism and his ability to address the physical environment through synthetic solutions with a high level of innovation are central to our mission. Professor Thün is an outstanding educator, architect, and designer. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Geoffrey Thün as an associate professor of architecture, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, effective September 1, 2009.

Recommended by:

Monica Ponce de Leon, Dean
A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture

Recommendation endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2009
Recommendations for approval of reappointments of regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Alan V. Deardorff

CURRENT TITLES: John W. Sweetland Professor of International Economics, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, Professor of Public Policy, with tenure, and Associate Dean, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Associate Dean, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy recommend the reappointment of Alan V. Deardorff as associate dean in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, for an additional one year term, effective May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010.

Alan V. Deardorff was educated at Stanford (B.S., 1966), and Cornell (M.A., 1969, Ph.D., 1971). He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as a lecturer in 1970, was promoted to assistant professor in 1971, to associate professor in 1975, to professor in 1980, and is currently the John W. Sweetland Professor of International Economics.

The associate dean is responsible for organizing the curriculum of the Ford School, and interacts with faculty and students around issues relating to the teaching mission of the School. Professor Deardorff is a long-time faculty member at the Ford School who is respected by his colleagues and his students. He will provide strong and effective leadership in the associate dean position. Furthermore, Professor Deardorff has a strong reputation as one of the world’s very top academic scholars in the field of international trade and is a regular participant in academic and policy-related conversations about issues of economic globalization. We are very pleased to recommend the reappointment of Alan V. Deardorff as associate dean in the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2010.

Recommended by:

[Signature]
Terrence J. McDonald
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,
Professor of History and Dean,
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Recommended endorsed by:

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Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Susan M. Collins
Joan and Sanford Weill Dean of Public Policy
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

March 2009
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Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected academic administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Gonçalo Abecasis

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of Biostatistics, with tenure, School of Public Health

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2014

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Public Health, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Professor Gonçalo Abecasis as the Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2014.

Felix E. Moore served the School of Public Health as professor of biostatistics from 1957 to 1979 and chaired the department from 1957-1971. He is credited with designing some of the first placebo controlled clinical trials. The Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics was approved by the Regents of the University in February 2009 and is funded with school resources.

Professor Abecasis, a 1997 graduate of the University of Leeds, received his D.Phil. in human genetics from Queen’s College, Oxford in 2001. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2001 as an assistant research scientist, was appointed as an assistant professor in 2002, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure in 2005.

Professor Abecasis is well known for the development of multiple algorithms and software packages that serve as primary analytic tools and are widely used by researchers in human genetics. He has garnered an international reputation for his research and software development, competed successfully for major grant funding, and taught major biostatistics courses. His appointment as the Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics is a well deserved recognition of his valuable contributions.

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Professor Gonçalo Abecasis as the Felix E. Moore Collegiate Professor of Biostatistics, School of Public Health, for a five-year renewable term, effective April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2014.

RECOMMENDED BY: Teresa A. Sullivan
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2009
On the recommendation of John Del Valle, M.D., professor and interim chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Kathleen A. Cooney, M.D., as the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology, effective March 1, 2009.

The Ginsberg Professorship in Hematology/Oncology was established in 1999, through the generosity of Frances and Victor Ginsberg. At that time, it was stipulated that the recipient of this prestigious title also would be chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology in the Department of Internal Medicine.

Dr. Cooney received the M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1984. She completed an internship and residency in internal medicine, followed by a fellowship in hematology/oncology, all at the University of Michigan. She joined the faculty as assistant professor of internal medicine in 1993, and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2000. That same year, Dr. Cooney received a secondary appointment as associate professor of urology, without tenure. She was promoted to her current academic rank as professor of internal medicine and professor of urology in 2005.

Dr. Cooney is a highly respected physician scientist who, in addition to establishing an international reputation in the field of prostate cancer research, has contributed extensively to the clinical, teaching, and service missions of the Medical School. Her work on the identification and characterization of genetic factors which cause or influence the development of prostate cancer has resulted in numerous, significant contributions to the field. Dr. Cooney’s scientific productivity is reflected in
her bibliography which includes 84 peer-reviewed articles, 47 of which have been published in the past five years. She serves as the principal investigator or co-investigator on numerous grants from the National Institutes of Health, including her role as co-director of the National Cancer Institute’s Specialized Programs in Research Excellence (SPORE) grant in prostate cancer. Dr. Cooney’s international stature is further evidenced by her service on major editorial boards and NIH advisory panels, her extensive extramural invited presentations, and her membership on national and international professional and scientific committees.

In addition to her highly productive scholarly efforts, Dr. Cooney is a committed teacher and mentor, and an outstanding role model. She is involved in the training of students at all educational levels, in both the clinic and laboratory, and through numerous didactic presentations. Dr. Cooney is a dedicated clinician, serving as a staff physician at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System and the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center. Since 2007, Dr. Cooney has been interim division chief of Hematology/Oncology, and was named chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology in January 2009.

Dr. Cooney is an outstanding teacher, clinician, and investigator. She currently is fulfilling the aspirations of the Ginsberg family’s endowment by her service as chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Kathleen A. Cooney, M.D., as the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by

Robert P. Kelch, M.D.
Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs

Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost
And Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2009
ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for Current Faculty Member

NAME: Sandro Galea, M.D., Dr.P.H.

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Epidemiology, with tenure, School of Public Health

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Emergency Medicine, without tenure, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2009

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, we are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Sandro Galea, M.D., Dr.P.H., as professor of emergency medicine, without tenure, in the Medical School, effective March 1, 2009.

Dr. Galea received the M.D. degree from the University of Toronto in 1994, the M.P.H. degree from Harvard University in 2000, and the Dr.P.H. degree in epidemiology from Columbia University in 2003. He completed a family medicine residency at McMaster University and a residency in emergency medicine at the University of Toronto. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as associate professor of epidemiology, with tenure, in 2005, and was promoted to his current rank of professor of epidemiology in 2008. Dr. Galea also holds an appointment as research professor in the Institute for Social Research.

In January 2009, Dr. Galea was named director of the University of Michigan Center for Global Health. This University-wide initiative builds upon the large portfolio of cross-disciplinary work of faculty at this institution in the development of innovative ideas and applications for global health. The Center for Global Health is promoted by the School of Public Health, in partnership with the Medical School and 13 other schools and colleges of the University of Michigan.

Dr. Galea’s medical background and research expertise in health issues provides the Medical School with an enormous opportunity to join in the development of the University of Michigan’s global health initiatives for improving health outcomes and
reducing health disparities in diverse regions of the world. We are very pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Dr. Sandro Galea as professor of emergency medicine, without tenure, in the Medical School.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Dean, Medical School

Kenneth E. Warner, Ph.D.
Dean, School of Public Health

Recommendation endorsed by

Robert P. Kelch, M.D.
Executive Vice President for
Medical Affairs

Teresa A. Sullivan, Ph.D., Provost
and Executive Vice President for
Academic Affairs

March 2009
Additional Appointment to an Endowed Professorship

Karla Goldman

Professor of Social Work, with tenure, School of Social Work

Sol Drachler Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work

March 1, 2009 through August 31, 2013

With the approval of the Executive Committee of the School of Social Work, we are pleased to recommend the appointment of Karla Goldman as the Sol Drachler Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work, effective March 1, 2009 through August 31, 2013.

The Sol Drachler Professorship was conceived as a position for a faculty member from any discipline to continue the academic attention to important issues in the Jewish community’s service sector by strengthening the capacity of the School of Social Work to address the Jewish community’s programmatic, administrative, and social needs. The endowment supports a scholar that has expertise in this area, is a leading professor and a member of the University of Michigan School of Social Work faculty contributing to the mission and the vision of the School and to professional social work education.

Sol Drachler is a past executive vice president of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit. He began a 26-year career of fund-raising and community organization in 1956 when he joined the Federation as director of the Allied Jewish Campaign’s Mercantile, Real Estate and Building Trades Divisions. He later was promoted to assistant campaign director and associate director prior to being named executive vice president, a position he held from 1976 to 1982. Nationally, Sol Drachler served as a chairman of the United Jewish Appeal Campaign Director’s Institute and was a member of the Council of Jewish Federation’s Campaign Services Committee.

Professor Karla Goldman's research focuses on the history of American Jewish experience with special attention to history of American Jewish communities and the evolving roles and contributions of American Jewish women. She directs the University’s program in Jewish Communal Leadership.

Professor Goldman’s first book explores the role of women in the development of 18th and 19th century American Judaism. She is currently completing a history of the Jews of Cincinnati. Her work places American Jews within their broader social contexts, tracing the construction of American Jewish identities as a function of the choices around class, religion, gender, race, and politics afforded to Jews as a result of their complicated place as both outsiders and insiders in American society. Professor Goldman is also engaged in an ongoing study of the Jewish experience of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath.
Professor Goldman previously taught American Jewish history at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati and served as historian in residence at the Jewish Women’s Archive in Brookline, Massachusetts. She is the author of Beyond the Synagogue Gallery: Finding a Place for Women in American Judaism (Harvard University Press, 2000).

We are pleased to recommend Karla Goldman’s appointment as the Sol Drachler Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work, effective March 1, 2009 through August 31, 2013.

Recommended by: 

Laura Lein  
Dean, School of Social Work

Recommendation endorsed by: 

Teresa A. Sullivan  
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

March 2009
ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Brian P. McCall

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Education, with tenure, School of Education, and Professor of Economics, without tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Public Policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

EFFECTIVE DATES: January 1, 2009

On the recommendation of the Dean and Executive Committee of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, and with the endorsement of the Dean of the School of Education and the Dean of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, I am pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Professor Brian P. McCall as professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective January 1, 2009.

Brian P. McCall received his B.A. in economics, University of California, Los Angeles, 1981; M.A. in economics, Princeton University, 1986; and his Ph.D. in economics from Princeton University, 1988. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 2007.

Professor McCall’s research focuses on labor economics, economics of education, applied econometrics, social insurance and health economics. With his career focus on research with policy ramifications for education, unemployment insurance and worker’s compensation, Professor McCall is an ideal candidate to assist the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy in expanding its labor economics, social insurance and health economics course offerings.
We are pleased to recommend the joint appointment of Brian P. McCall as professor of public policy, without tenure, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, effective January 1, 2009.

Recommended by: 

Susan M. Collins 
Joan and Sanford Weill Dean, 
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

Recommenation endorsed by: 

Teresa A. Sullivan 
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Deborah Loewenberg Ball 
Dean, School of Education

Terrence J. McDonald 
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor 
Professor of History, and Dean 
College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

March 2009
Action Request: Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

Name: Twila Z. Tardif

Current Title: Professor of Psychology, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

Additional Title: Director, Center for Human Growth and Development

Effective Dates: January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011

We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Twila Z. Tardif, as Director of the Center for Human Growth and Development, effective January 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011.

Professor Tardif’s responsibilities in this position will include, but are not limited to, providing overall leadership to foster the scientific development of this interdisciplinary program, the recruitment of new program faculty, the development of new and the fostering of existing programs associated with CHGD, and the maintenance and improvement of the Center’s financial base. She will lead the CHGD faculty in the assessment and redesign of the scientific programs housed within the Center and explore new research opportunities in areas that have not been the traditional focus of CHGD. These activities will presumably involve continued and expanded research collaborations with the leadership and faculty in the Medical School, School of Public Health, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and the Institute for Social Research.

Professor Tardif earned her B.Sc. degree from the University of Toronto in 1986, and her M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Yale University in 1988 and 1993, respectively. She completed a three-year appointment as a postdoctoral scholar in the Michigan Society of Fellows at the University of Michigan in 1996, with a joint appointment as a visiting assistant professor in the Department of Psychology’s Program in Developmental Psychology. In 1996, she was appointed as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychology at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and promoted to associate professor in 1999.

Professor Tardif joined the University of Michigan faculty in 2002 as an associate professor, with tenure, in the Department of Psychology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and as a research associate professor in the Center for Human Growth and Development. She was promoted to professor in the Department of Psychology and to research professor in CHGD in 2007. Professor Tardif has served as program director for the Program in Culture and Development, in the Center for Human Growth and Development, since 2002.
Professor Tardif is a distinguished researcher whose work focuses on exploring the relationships between language, culture, and cognition. Her research has been extensively published and cited in the social sciences and she has been principal investigator or co-investigator on numerous research projects.

Professor Tardif’s administrative experience at the University, her extensive participation in major departmental, college, and university committees, her active involvement in sponsored research activities, and her commitment to multidisciplinary collaborative research, makes her an outstanding candidate for the position of director of the Center for Human Growth and Development. We are very pleased that Professor Tardif has agreed to serve in this capacity and we strongly recommend her appointment.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Stephen R. Forrest
Vice President for Research

Terrence J. McDonald
Arthur F. Thurnau Professor,
Professor of History and Dean
College of Literature, Science,
and the Arts

March 2009
On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering and with the endorsements of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and the Department of Biomedical Engineering, I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Euisik Yoon as associate professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, in the Department of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2009.

Professor Yoon graduated from the Seoul National University with both a B.S. and M.S. in electronics engineering in 1982 and 1984, respectively. He received his Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan in 1990. Immediately following graduation, Professor Yoon served as a research staff member for the Fairchild Research Center, National Semiconductor Corporation. From 1994 to 1996, he served as a member of the technical staff at Silicon Graphics Incorporated. In 1996, Professor Yoon joined the faculty at the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) as an assistant professor. In 2005, Professor Yoon accepted a position as an associate professor, with tenure, at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. In 2008, Professor Yoon joined the University of Michigan as an associate professor, with tenure.

Professor Yoon’s research interests lie in integrated MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical-Systems) and VLSI circuit/system design. The mission of his research is to realize self-contained microsystems that will combine/process natural signals (such as bio, chemical, optical and thermal signals) as well as electrical signals on a single chip platform by integrating new MEMS/nanostructures with low-power VLSI circuits and systems. His major research activities focus on microfluidics for single-cell assays and cancer screening, wireless neural nanoprobe for interfacing with the nervous system, sensor arrays for prosthetic applications (e.g. tactile arrays, artificial skin), and visible/IR imaging devices for automotive and biomedical applications. He has also made important contributions in the areas of wireless chemical-sensing microsystems, CMOS-compatible passive components for RF systems, and magnetically-actuated micromirrors for optical switching.
With this additional appointment, Professor Yoon is ideally suited to assist the Department of Biomedical Engineering by his active involvement with research and students. I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Euisik Yoon as professor of biomedical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2009.

Recommended by: 

David C. Munson, Jr.
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering
College of Engineering

March 2009

Recommendation endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan
Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs
Recommendations for approval of leaves of absence
for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
ACTION REQUEST: Approval of Extension of Leave for a Faculty Member

NAME: Werner J.A. Dahm

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Aerospace Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

TYPE OF LEAVE: Extension of a One-Year Leave

DATES OF CURRENT LEAVE: October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009

TIME EXTENSION REQUESTED: October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010

It is recommended that Werner J.A. Dahm be granted an extension of leave of absence effective October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

Professor Werner J.A. Dahm is chief scientist with the U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. He serves as chief scientific advisor to the chief of staff and secretary of the Air Force, and provides assessments on a wide range of scientific and technical issues affecting the Air Force mission. In this role he identifies and analyzes technical issues and brings them to the attention of Air Force leaders, and interacts with other Air Force staff principals, operational commanders, combatant commands, acquisition, and science and technology communities to address cross-organizational technical issues and solutions. He also interacts with other services and the Office of the Secretary of Defense on issues affecting the Air Force in-house technical enterprise. He serves on the steering committee and senior review group of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board, and is the principal science and technology representative of the Air Force to the civilian scientific and engineering community and to the public at large.

We request approval of this extension of leave of absence for Professor Werner J.A. Dahm.

Recommended by: David C. Munson, Jr.
Robert J. Vlasic Dean of Engineering
College of Engineering

March 2009

Recommendation endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions for regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Toni C. Antonucci as associate vice president for research – social sciences and humanities, Office of the Vice President for Research, effective May 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

Professor Antonucci’s responsibilities in this position will include leading a joint initiative between OVPR and the Rackham School of Graduate Studies on the future of social sciences, with special focus on interdisciplinary issues and reaching out to other fields, particularly the humanities. She will provide leadership in developing new academic/research initiatives; serve as the OVPR liaison to the Institute for Research on Women and Gender; and work with the Institutional Review Board leadership as the faculty voice of OVPR in IRB issues. Beyond these duties, she will provide assistance in discharging the duties of the vice president in regards to research at the University of Michigan.

Professor Antonucci earned her B.A. degree from Hunter College of the City of New York in 1969, and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Wayne State University in 1972 and 1973, respectively. She held an appointment as an assistant professor in the Department of Psychology at Syracuse University from 1973-1979, prior to joining the University of Michigan faculty in 1979 as an assistant professor in the Department of Family Practice, Medical School and as an assistant research scientist in the Institute for Social Research. In 1982, she was promoted to associate professor in the Department of Psychology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, and associate research scientist in ISR, and in 1991, to professor, Department of Psychology and research professor, ISR. She is also a faculty associate in the Institute of Gerontology, Medical School.
Professor Antonucci’s administrative experience includes her appointment as assistant dean for faculty appointments, in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts from 1996-1998 and her current appointments as program director of the Life Course Development Program, in the Institute for Social Research, beginning in 1990, and as associate dean for academic initiatives and interdisciplinary studies, in the Rackham School of Graduate Studies, from 2006-2009.

Professor Antonucci is a distinguished social scientist whose research focuses on social relations and health across the life span, including multigenerational studies of the family and comparative studies of social relations across the life span in the United States, Europe and Japan. She is a fellow in the American Psychological Association, the Gerontological Society of America, the American Psychological Society, and the Society for Psychological Study of Social Issues. Her research has been extensively published and cited in the social sciences and she has been principal investigator or co-investigator on numerous research projects.

Professor Antonucci’s administrative experience at the University, her extensive participation in major departmental, college, and university committees, her active involvement in sponsored research activities, her regional, national and international research experience, and her commitment to multidisciplinary collaborative research, makes her an outstanding candidate for the position of associate vice president for research – social sciences and humanities in the Office of the Vice President for Research. We are very pleased that Professor Antonucci has agreed to serve in this capacity and we strongly recommend her appointment.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Stephen R. Forrest
Vice President for Research

March 2009
I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Ora Hirsch Pescovitz to the position of executive vice president for medical affairs, for a five-year term, effective May 11, 2009 through May 10, 2014. Dr. Pescovitz will be responsible for the University of Michigan Medical School, the Hospitals and Health Centers, the Michigan Health Corporation, and the clinical activities of the School of Nursing and moving towards including the clinical activities of the School of Dentistry and the College of Pharmacy.

Dr. Pescovitz received her M.D. from Northwestern University Medical School in 1979 and her M.Sc. from Northwestern University in 1978. She completed her pediatrics residencies at the University of Minnesota and the Children’s Hospital National Medical Center in Washington, DC. Dr. Pescovitz was a medical staff fellow in developmental endocrinology at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, National Institutes of Health. She received a diploma from the American Board of Pediatrics in 1985 and was certified by the American Board of Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism in 1986.

Dr. Pescovitz, the Edwin Letzter Professor of Pediatrics and professor of cellular and integrative physiology at the Indiana University School of Medicine, has been the president and chief executive officer of the Riley Hospital for Children since 2004 and the interim vice president for research administration at Indiana University since 2007. In her role as president and chief executive officer of the Riley Hospital for Children, she has led an ambitious and wide-reaching strategic plan that has included the fund-raising and construction of a $470 million, 675,000 square foot addition to the hospital. Riley is the sixth largest children’s hospital in the country; if it were a free-standing institution, it would be ranked fourth in terms of extramural research funding. As interim vice president for research administration for Indiana University, Dr. Pescovitz has been responsible for the research infrastructure at all eight Indiana University campuses.

Dr. Pescovitz has also continued to serve as executive associate dean for research affairs at the Indiana University School of Medicine, which brings in more than $200 million per year in grants and contracts. She has had oversight of the School of Medicine’s efforts to dramatically expand its research programs and since 2003 she has overseen the construction of over 700,000 square feet of new research space at the School of Medicine. In addition, she has also administered the $155 million Indiana Genomics Initiative and contributed to the creation of the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute.
Dr. Pescovitz has published approximately 180 manuscripts and books. Most of her research has been focused on elucidating the physiologic and molecular mechanisms responsible for disorders of growth and puberty with a focus on development of novel therapies for these conditions. She has served as president of the Society for Pediatric Research, the nation’s largest pediatric research organization, as president of the Lawson Wilkins (North American) Pediatric Endocrine Society, as chair of the March of Dimes Grants Review Committee, and as member of the Ad-Hoc Group for Medical Research Funding. She has also served on the Board of the Hormone Foundation, the Board of the National Association of Children’s Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI), and on the Board of the Children’s Miracle Network. Dr. Pescovitz has served as a sub-editor or as a member of the editorial board of six scientific journals. She has served on numerous committees of the Endocrine Society and was chair of the 2002 Annual Meeting Steering Committee. She also served on numerous committees of the Pediatric Academic Societies, the Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society, the NACHRI, and the Children’s Hospitals Corporation of America.

In the wider Indiana community, Dr. Pescovitz has served on several Bio-Crossroads task forces, the selection support committee for the Indianapolis Zoo Prize, the Dean’s Advisory Board of the Herron School of Art, the Board of the Borns Jewish Studies Program at Indiana University, the Board of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck, the Board of Clarian North Hospital, and the Central Indiana United Way Board, where she is also a member of its Executive Committee.

Awards include a Research Career Development Award from the National Institutes of Health, the Indiana University School of Medicine’s highest teaching award, the Science Medal of Distinction from the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis School of Science, the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Northwestern’s Feinberg School of Medicine, recognition as one of the nation’s Top Doctors, a Power Player in Indianapolis and one of the Most Influential Women in Indiana (recognitions by the Indianapolis Business Journal), the iWOMAN Trailblazer Award, the Women and HiTech Award, the Health, Medicine & Life Sciences Torchbearer Award from the Indiana Commission for Women, and the Spirit of the Prairie Award from the Connor Prairie Living History Museum.

I look forward to the leadership, depth of experience, and vision that Dr. Pescovitz will bring to the University. It is with great enthusiasm and confidence that I recommend the appointment of Dr. Ora Hirsch Pescovitz as executive vice president for medical affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
President

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