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Recommendations for approval of new appointments and promotions for regular associate and full professor ranks, with tenure
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS' COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Henry L. Paulson, M.D., Ph.D.

TITLES: Professor of Neurology and Lucile Groff Chair of Neurology for Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATES: August 1, 2007 through July 31, 2012
(as Lucile Groff Chair)

APPOINTMENT TERM: 12 Months

On the recommendation of David J. Fink, M.D., the Robert Brear Professor and chair of the Department of Neurology and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Henry L. Paulson, M.D., Ph.D., as Professor of Neurology, with tenure, and the Lucile Groff Chair of Neurology for Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders, effective August 1, 2007.

This endowed professorship chair was established in 2001 through a bequest from the estate of Mr. Cleveland Walcutt and intended to support the activities of a faculty member whose work is focused on Alzheimer’s disease and related dementing disorders.

After receiving the M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Yale University in 1990, Dr. Paulson completed an internship, residency training, and a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania during 1991-97. Subsequently, he was appointed a Clinical Instructor in Neurology at that institution. In 1997, Dr. Paulson moved to the University of Iowa where he was appointed as Assistant Professor of Neurology. In 2003, he was promoted to Associate Professor of Neurology, with tenure, and to his current rank of Professor in 2006.

The primary focus of Dr. Paulson’s research is centered on neurodegenerative diseases. He has received numerous invitations to lecture or present seminars in the United States and abroad, and has achieved both national and international recognition for his research program. Dr. Paulson is the recipient of several research grants from the National Institutes of Health, with his current funding in excess of $12 million. His bibliography reflects 57 peer-reviewed articles published in high profile journals.
Recent and Significant Publications


Dr. Paulson has acquired an extensive teaching portfolio, with his instructional efforts directed particularly to house officers and medical students. At the University of Iowa, he also serves as director of a “Neurobiology of Disease” course for graduate students. Institutionally, his presentations have received excellent ratings. At the University of Michigan, Dr. Paulson will participate in all aspects of the Department of Neurology’s teaching program.

External Review: Brief excerpts from external reviewers are provided below:

Reviewer A: “...I am always impressed by his drive, enthusiasm, and intelligence. He is clearly recognized nationally and internationally. . . . In sum, Dr. Paulson is highly qualified for the first Lucile Groff Professorship. I support his appointment with my highest recommendation.”

Reviewer B: “His work is highly regarded both nationally and internationally and has impacted our field in a significant fashion. . . . Dr. Paulson is a unique individual who combines charisma, intelligence and dynamism. By all standards, he fulfills the definition of a leader and a mentor.”

Reviewer C: “Dr. Paulson has an outstanding record of NIH grant support. . . . Dr. Paulson has an extraordinary record of publication. His publications have been in the foremost scientific journals. He has made major contributions to the study of polyglutamine repeat diseases. This has been particularly the case for ataxin 3. He is considered the foremost researcher in this area.”
Reviewer D: “Hank is clearly an international leader in the study of the cellular and molecular basis for neurodegenerative diseases. . . . He has published key seminal papers that have made extremely important contributions to the field.”

Reviewer E: “The value of Dr. Paulson’s contributions derives from his ability to achieve a delicate balance between state-of-the-art scientific inquiry and clinical relevance, a talent which is often sought but rarely observed. Dr. Paulson is one of the rising stars of academic neurology. He has already demonstrated greater scientific productivity and a broader impact on academic neurology than many individuals in the field will achieve in a lifetime.”

Dr. Paulson has an excellent record of clinical and administrative service. He is an active clinician specializing in movement disorders and has established a national reputation for his clinical expertise. At the University of Iowa, Dr. Paulson has served on a number of departmental and institutional committees. Nationally, he is an active member of several professional organizations and was named a Fellow of the American Academy of Neurology in 2004. He is on the editorial board for the publications Journal of Biological Chemistry and Human Molecular Genetics, and he has served as a manuscript reviewer for approximately 40 journals.

Dr. Paulson has a national and international reputation in the field of neurodegenerative diseases. He is being recruited to the University of Michigan to direct the Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases in the Department of Neurology. Dr. Paulson has an outstanding record of contributions to education, research, clinical care, and national service. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Henry L. Paulson, M.D., Ph.D., as Professor of Neurology, with tenure, and the Lucile Groff Chair of Neurology for Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders.

Recommended by

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James O. Wooliscroft, M.D.
Interim Dean, Medical School

Recommendation endorsed by

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

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

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Faculty Appointment Approval

NAME: Benjamin M. Segal, M.D.

TITLES: Associate Professor of Neurology and Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology

TENURE STATUS: With Tenure

EFFECTIVE DATES: June 1, 2007 through May 31, 2012
(as Holtom-Garrett Family Professor)

APPOINTMENT TERM: 12 Months

On the recommendation of David J. Fink, M.D., the Robert Brear Professor and Chair of the Department of Neurology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Benjamin M. Segal, M.D., as Associate Professor of Neurology, with tenure, and the Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology, effective June 1, 2007.

The Holtom-Garrett Family Professorship in Neurology was established in November 2006 and intended to support the activities of a faculty member who is a leader in multiple sclerosis research, education and clinical care initiatives.

Dr. Segal received the M.D. degree in 1988 from Brown University. He then completed an internship at the University of Chicago, followed by a residency in neurology at Cornell University. He was a Clinical Instructor at Georgetown University from 1993-97 and a Research Associate at NIH/NIAID Laboratory of Immunology from 1993-99. In 1999, Dr. Segal was appointed as Assistant Professor in the Departments of Neurology, Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Rochester. In 2004, he was promoted to Associate Professor, with tenure, at that institution.

Dr. Segal’s research examines the role of chemokines and interleukins in the pathogenesis of demyelinating disease. He is principal investigator of three grants from the National Institutes of Health, as well as two awards from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Dr. Segal’s bibliography reflects a total of 29 articles, published or in press, and one co-authored book chapter, as well as two patents. His articles are
published in high-tier journals, including *Neurology*, the *Journal of Experimental Medicine*, and the *Journal of Immunology*. He is a manuscript reviewer for a number of scientific journals. Dr. Segal has served on scientific advisory boards for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society and as a member of several special emphasis panels for the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) of the National Institutes of Health.

**Recent and Significant Publications**


At the University of Rochester, Dr. Segal has lectured regularly to graduate and medical students and has developed a new graduate-level course on neuroinflammation. He has also been active as a mentor in the laboratory, with four current graduate students and three postdoctoral students. Evidence of regional teaching is noted by the numerous presentations that he delivers on the subject of multiple sclerosis to the lay community and community physicians. Dr. Segal also has been an invited speaker at academic institutions and society meetings in the United States and Canada. Dr. Segal will be involved in similar educational activities at the University of Michigan.

**External Review:** Brief excerpts from external evaluators are provided below:

**Reviewer A:** "He has contributed some very strong research to the field of neuroimmunology... I believe he is in the top 10% of neuroimmunological investigators. This is remarkable when one considers that he is an M.D. who sees patients."

**Reviewer B:** "Ben's niche is in doing rigorous basic science with a purpose toward translation to the clinic. Very few of his peers function at such a high level on the research front, while being a clinician as well. He serves on NMSS and NIH study sections, primarily to get his views on basic science in the context of its clinical relevance."
Reviewer C: “This recommendation letter is relatively easy to prepare. Ben Segal is an outstanding clinician-researcher, in every dimension. He has been productive since the early days of his post-doc fellowship at the NIH and continues to be prolific and creative.”

Reviewer D: “Thoroughness, solid work and good journals come to mind when I think of Ben’s research. . . . He will be a valuable addition to any neurology department seeking to acquire a leading edge. I consider him outstanding in the field of MS research.”

Reviewer E: “He has become a world’s expert in cytokines, chemokines, and regulation of the immune system. . . . Ben would be a real catch for the University of Michigan. I am pleased to give him my highest recommendation.”

Dr. Segal is being recruited to direct the Multiple Sclerosis Program in the Department of Neurology. The University of Michigan has not had a significant clinical and research effort in multiple sclerosis for three decades. Dr. Segal is one of a very few clinicians with basic research skills in this field and one whose reputation will provide the opportunity to build a strong program at this institution.

Dr. Segal is a nationally recognized investigator in the area of neuroimmunology and neuroinflammation. He has a strong record of research funding and scholarship, as well as expertise as an educator and clinician. His recruitment to the University of Michigan as director of the Multiple Sclerosis Program in the Department of Neurology is important and one that will provide this institution the opportunity to establish an academic center of excellence in research, treatment, and education in multiple sclerosis. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Benjamin M. Segal, M.D., as Associate Professor of Neurology, with tenure, and the Holtom-Garrett Family Professor of Neurology.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Interim 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

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Recommendations for approval of reappointments

of regular instructional staff and selected academic administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents
April 19, 2007

ACTION REQUEST: Reappointment of an Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Robert J. Taylor

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean of Research, Professor of Social Work, with tenure, and Sheila Feld Collegiate Professor of Social Work, School of Social Work

TITLE BEING RENEWED: Associate Dean of Research

TERM: Two Years

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2009

Robert J. Taylor is recommended for extension of appointment as Associate Dean for Research, School of Social Work, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2009.

Professor Robert J. Taylor was awarded the B.A. degree from Northwestern University at Chicago, Illinois in 1974. He received the M.S.W. in 1976, the M.A. in 1977 and the Ph.D. in 1983, all from the University of Michigan. He was awarded a postdoctoral scholarship from the National Institute on Aging in the Institute for Social Research at the University of Michigan for 1983 to 1985. He was appointed to the faculty at the Graduate School of Social Work at Boston College, Boston, Massachusetts and came to the University of Michigan as an Assistant Professor in 1988. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1991 and to Professor in 1998.

Robert J. Taylor has provided exemplary teaching to the students of the School of Social Work. He has been especially devoted to preparing numerous doctoral and postdoctoral students to conduct research that is conceptually and methodologically sound in the neglected but important area of the Black family. The research of Professor Taylor focuses on family studies, Black studies, and gerontology, with a focus on Black family life across the life-span. He has conducted extensive research on the informal social support networks of adult and elderly Black Americans. He has been Principal Investigator of several grants from the National Institute of Aging which examine the role of religion in the lives of Black and White elderly adults. Other research interests include racial identity, marital relationships, intergenerational family relationships, and the use of social services among Black Americans. In addition, through his positions on several national advisory committees, Professor Taylor provides national leadership in the area of social and behavioral science research on aging populations.

Professor Taylor is widely published in highly respected scholarly journals such as Journal of Marriage and the Family, Social Work, Social Service Review, Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences, The Sociological Quarterly, Review of Religious Research, and Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion and has published books and numerous book chapters. He is one of the most cited scholars in his area, with research characterized by excellent data sets, rigorous analysis, and clear writing.

As a researcher, mentor and colleague, Robert J. Taylor is among the best and his reappointment to the post of Associate Dean will allow continuation of this leadership. It is for these reasons that the School of Social Work asks the Regents to allow the School of Social Work to reappoint Robert J. Taylor as the Associate Dean for Research effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2009.

RECOMMENDED BY:  
Paula Allen-Meares, Dean  
Norma Radin Collegiate Professor of Social Work  
and Professor of Education

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:  
Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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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: Approval of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: David A. Bloom, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Urology, with tenure; Jack Lapides Professor of Urology; and Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs, Medical School

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Professor of Urology, with tenure; Jack Lapides Professor of Urology; and Chair of the Department of Urology, Medical School

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 2007

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of David A. Bloom, M.D., as Chair of the Department of Urology, effective March 1, 2007.

Dr. Bloom received the M.D. degree from the State University of New York at Buffalo in 1971. He subsequently completed residency training in general surgery and in urology at the University of California, Los Angeles. During 1977-78, he pursued fellowship training in pediatric urology at the Institute of Urology and St. Peter’s Hospital in London, England. He then spent four years in military service, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army Medical Corps. During that time, he held a concurrent faculty appointment at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. Bloom came to the University of Michigan in 1984 and advanced through the academic ranks to achieve his current title of Professor of Urology in 1993. Dr. Bloom was appointed Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs in the Medical School in 2000. In 2002, he was named the first Jack Lapides Professor of Urology.

Dr. Bloom has outstanding credentials as a pediatric urologist, with an established reputation in his field of specialty. His interests are in the areas of neurourology, laparoscopy, and historical research. He is a prolific scholar whose bibliography reflects more than 200 papers and 60 chapters in books. Dr. Bloom holds memberships and leadership positions in numerous professional organizations, including the American Academy of Pediatrics-Section on Urology, the American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons, and the American Board of Urology.
Dr. Bloom has a well deserved national and international reputation for his contributions to pediatric urology. He is an exemplary teacher, an accomplished scholar, and a superb clinician and surgeon, who will provide strong leadership in the Department of Urology. It is the judgment of the Executive Committee that Dr. Bloom is most qualified to assume this administrative role. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of David A. Bloom, M.D., as Chair of the Department of Urology.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Interim 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

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ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Phillip J. Bowman

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Education, with tenure, School of Education

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Urban Planning, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2007

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning and with the endorsement of the School of Education, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Phillip J. Bowman as professor of urban planning, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, effective September 1, 2007.

Phillip J. Bowman received his B.S. in psychology/industrial technology from Northern Arizona University in 1970; his M.A./Ed.S. in counseling psychology/student affairs in higher education from the University of Michigan in 1971/1973; and his M.A./Ph.D. in social psychology from the University of Michigan in 1974/1977. Professor Bowman joined the faculty in 2006 as director for the National Center for Institutional Diversity and professor in the Center for the Study of Higher and Postsecondary Education. From 2000-2006, he was the director, Institute for Research on Race and Public Policy and professor, Urban Planning and Policy/African American Studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Prior to that time he held positions at Northwestern University (1991-2000), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (1984-1991), and the University of Michigan (1977-1984).

Professor Bowman is a renowned figure who has contributed over 20 book chapters as well as innumerable journal articles, monographs, and reports to his field. His scholarship on diversity issues in social policy, including youth joblessness, family poverty, health disparities, and urban distress, will be an important resource for our graduate planning students concentrating in housing, community, and economic development.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Phillip J. Bowman as professor of urban planning, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

Douglas S. Kelbaugh, FAIA, Dean
A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

Deborah Loewenberg Ball, Dean
School of Education

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ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Peter F. Green

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, with tenure, Chair, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, and Professor of Macromolecular Science and Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Chemical Engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2007

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering and with the endorsement of the Department of Materials Science and Engineering and the Department of Chemical Engineering, I am pleased to recommend that Peter F. Green be appointed as professor of chemical engineering, without tenure, in the Department of Chemical Engineering, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

Peter Green received a BA (honors) and MA in physics from Hunter College in 1981. He received both MS and PhD degrees in materials science and engineering from Cornell University in 1983 and 1985, respectively. From 1985 to 1986, Professor Green worked as a postdoctoral fellow at Sandia National Laboratories in ion solid interactions and defect physics. He stayed at Sandia National Laboratories working as a senior member of the technical staff in physical properties of polymers from 1986 through 1991. In 1991, he was promoted to manager working in glass and electronic ceramics research. In 1996, Professor Green joined academia at the University of Texas at Austin as an associate professor in the Department of Chemical Engineering. He was promoted to professor in 1999.

Professor Green’s research program examines problems associated with the structure, phase behavior and dynamics of bulk and thin polymer and polymer-based nanocomposite systems. His program on polymer thin films comprise problems in three general categories: (1) wetting, interfacial instabilities and pattern formation, and self-assembly; (2) the influence of confinement and interfacial interactions on the glass transition, diffusion and viscosity, as well as on the phase and ordering transition temperatures of polymer mixtures and block copolymers, respectively; and (3) the organization of nanoparticles (C60 fullerenes, nanotubes, semiconductor and metallic nanoparticles) in thin films. The goal of the program is to develop new rules to design and to “tailor” properties of thin films for various applications. The second aspect of the research encompasses bulk rheological and dynamic mechanical behavior of polymer-based nanocomposite (organoclays, metal oxides, nanotubes) systems. Professor Green’s program is interdisciplinary, cross-cutting different fields, from physical chemistry of surfaces, to the processing of polymers, to the physics of materials. His research group employs a range of experimental tools, including scanning force microscopy, transmission electron microscopy, neutron scattering, ellipsometry, DMA and rheology, and his group collaborates with a number of theoretical groups within the University of Michigan and elsewhere.
With this additional appointment, Professor Green is ideally suited to assist the Department of Chemical Engineering program by his active involvement with research and students. I am pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Peter F. Green as professor of chemical engineering, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

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

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Recommendation endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan
Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs
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ACTION REQUEST: Academic Administrative Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Shixin Jack Hu

CURRENT TITLES: Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education, and Professor of Mechanical Engineering, with tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering recommend the appointment of Professor Shixin Jack Hu as associate dean for research and graduate education, for a five-year term, effective May 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011.

Professor Hu received his BS degree in 1983 from the Tianjin University in China and his MS and PhD degrees from the University of Michigan in 1986 and 1990, respectively.

Professor Hu has served as associate dean for research since January 1, 2007 and is now taking on the added responsibilities of associate dean for graduate education effective May 1, 2007. Professor Hu has served as director of the College’s Michigan Interdisciplinary and Professional Engineering Program, the Program in Manufacturing, and Interpro and successfully launched the Master of Engineering in Manufacturing education program globally. He pioneered the field of “Complaint Assembly” and his methodologies have been used by the U.S. auto companies to improve auto body assembly quality. Professor Hu has taught a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate courses with excellent evaluations and received Mechanical Engineering’s Teaching Incentive Award twice. Many of his PhD and MS students have taken leadership positions in industry and academia.

Professor Hu has demonstrated that he possesses the experience, ability, and commitment to fulfill the important responsibilities of an associate dean in the College of Engineering. We are pleased to recommend the appointment of Professor Shixin Jack Hu as associate dean for research and graduate education effective May 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

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ACTION REQUEST: Joint Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Matthew D. Lassiter

CURRENT TITLE: Associate Professor of History, with tenure, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Associate Professor of Urban Planning, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2007

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning and with the endorsement of the Department of History, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, we are pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Matthew D. Lassiter as associate professor of urban planning, without tenure, effective September 1, 2007.

Matthew D. Lassiter received his B.A. from Furman University in 1992 and both his M.A. (1994) and his Ph.D. (1999) from the University of Virginia. From 1998 to 2000, he was a visiting instructor and assistant professor of history at Bowdoin College. Professor Lassiter joined the University faculty in 2000 as an assistant professor in the Department of History and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, in 2006.

Professor Lassiter has taught an array of courses on American history and attends to a wide range of social and cultural phenomena, including urban history, film, and music. Both the quantity and the quality of Professor Lassiter’s scholarship are impressive. His book, The Silent Majority: Suburban Politics in the Sunbelt South, has had a decisive impact on scholarship in American social, cultural, and political history. His scholarship, particularly with regard to political and urban/suburban history, will be an important resource for our urban planning students.

We are very pleased to recommend the additional appointment of Michael D. Lassiter as associate professor of urban planning, without tenure, A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

Douglas S. Kelbaugh FAIA, Dean
A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning

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

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Recommendation Endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment for a Faculty Member

NAME: Quentin F. Stout

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, with tenure, College of Engineering

ADDITIONAL TITLE: Professor of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2007

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 Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences, I am pleased to recommend that Quentin F. Stout be appointed as professor of atmospheric, oceanic and space sciences, without tenure, in the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

Professor Stout graduated from Centre College in 1970 with a B.A. degree in mathematics. He then received his Ph.D. in mathematics in 1977 from Indiana University. In 1976, Professor Stout joined the State University of New York at Binghamton as an assistant professor. In 1984 he moved to the University of Michigan as an associate professor and was promoted to professor in 1992. Professor Stout served as director of the Software Systems Research Laboratory from 1993 to 1998. He also served as director for the Center for Parallel Computing from 1997-2002.

Professor Stout's current research includes developing programs for large scientific applications such as space environment modeling, climate modeling, and the design of clinical trials. Much of this involves working with teams of scientists using parallel computers to run the programs due to large simulations. Professor Stout also works on theoretical parallel algorithms and new models of parallel computing.

With this additional appointment, Professor Stout is ideally suited to assist the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences by his active involvement with research and students. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Quentin F. Stout as professor of atmospheric, oceanic and space sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

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

Recommendation endorsed by:

Teresa A. Sullivan
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
ACTION REQUEST: Approval of an Academic Administrative Appointment

NAME: Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, and Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology; and Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 3, 2007

With the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., as Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine, effective April 3, 2007. Dr. Todd will assume leadership in the department while a national search commences to replace Dr. Marc Lippman who has resigned his faculty and administrative positions at this institution.

Dr. Todd joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1984 as Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, with tenure, and was promoted to his current rank of Professor of Internal Medicine in 1988. Since 1999, he has held the prestigious title of the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology in recognition of his leadership of the Division of Hematology/Oncology in the Department of Internal Medicine.

Dr. Todd is well experienced in administrative activities at all institutional levels. Departmentally, he has served as associate chair of the Department of Internal Medicine and has been Chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology since 1993. Within the Medical School, Dr. Todd has served on numerous committees focused on students, faculty and research, and he currently is a member of the Institutional Review Board, director of Student Biomedical Research Programs and associate director of the Medical Scientist Training Program. Institutionally, Dr. Todd was Associate Vice President for Research, Health Sciences, from 1999-2006.
Dr. Todd has amassed an outstanding record of accomplishment throughout his academic career at the University of Michigan. It is the judgment of the Executive Committee that he is most qualified to serve in this administrative capacity. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the appointment of Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., as Interim Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Interim 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

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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 Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences, I am pleased to recommend that Kensall D. Wise be appointed as professor of atmospheric, oceanic and space sciences, without tenure, in the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2007.

Professor Wise received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University in 1963. He then received his M.S. and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Stanford University in 1964 and 1969, respectively. After receiving his Ph.D., Professor Wise worked as a research associate and lecturer at Stanford University from 1969 – 1972. In 1974 he joined the University of Michigan as assistant professor. Professor Wise was promoted to associate professor in 1978 and professor in 1982. Since 2000, Professor Wise has served as director of the NSF Center for Wireless Integrated MicroSystems (WIMS).

Professor Wise’s current research includes the development of a wristwatch-size environmental monitoring system containing a gas chromatograph capable of monitoring air quality at parts-per-billion levels. Communicating over a wireless interface, such microsystems have a wide number of applications, including biomarker monitoring, medical surveillance, homeland security, environmental quality monitoring, industrial process control, and global climate studies. A breakthrough in instrumentation, the microsystem is realized by integrating a microscale preconcentrator, microfabricated separation columns, electrostatically-latching microvalves, an electrostatic micropump, and chemiresistive detectors based on nanotechnology.

A closely related NASA-funded project seeks to utilize this technology in very small, extremely-sensitive probes for biological trace gases in extraterrestrial atmospheres such as that on Mars. This project utilizes new chromatography architecture, opens an entirely new range of applications, and is the first of an entirely new set of microinstruments for use in space exploration.
With this additional appointment, Professor Wise is ideally suited to assist the Department of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Space Sciences by his active involvement with research and students. I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Kensall D. Wise as professor of atmospheric, oceanic and space sciences, without tenure, College of Engineering, effective January 1, 2007.

Recommended by:  

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

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

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Establishing and renaming professorships and selected academic administrative positions.
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Approval to Name an Existing Collegiate Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Gertrude Buck Collegiate Professorship in Education

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2007

The School of Education seeks to name an existing collegiate professorship in the name of Gertrude Buck, effective April 1, 2007.

A distinguished faculty member will be nominated to receive this honor. A stipend funded from School resources will accompany this professorship. This initial term of the appointment will be for five years, with the possibility of renewal.

Gertrude Buck received all of her degrees from the University of Michigan, the B.S. in 1884, the M.S. in 1895, and the Ph.D. in 1898. She joined the English Department at Vassar in 1897, and taught there until her death in 1922. At Vassar, where she developed the First Year Composition program, Buck was a beloved teacher, admired for her sincerity. On the national scene, Buck became known for her work in rhetoric and composition. In her scholarly work Buck emphasized an organic approach to the processes of writing; a contextualized, rather than isolated, approach to the study of grammar; and an emphasis on democracy in teaching. As she put it, “Only as we relate other people’s experiences and ideas to our own are we able to see what we have to contribute, however small it may be, to the sum of human consciousness.”

I am very pleased to recommend the establishment of the Gertrude Buck Collegiate Professorship in Education, effective April 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDED BY:

Deborah Loewenberg Ball
Dean, School of Education

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY:

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

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

PROPOSED NAME: Rollin M. Gerstacker Professorship in Engineering

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 1, 2007

The Dean and the Executive Committee of the College of Engineering request the establishment of the Rollin M. Gerstacker Professorship in Engineering effective May 1, 2007.

The Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation has provided a gift of $2,000,000 to establish and support an endowed, full professorship to be known as the Rollin M. Gerstacker Professor of Engineering. The holder will be a professor in the College of Engineering who will be appointed to the professorship for five-year renewable terms.

The Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation was established in 1957 and has been donating to worthy causes for 50 years. That colorful palette of giving is owed to the foresight of Eda Gerstacker, wife of Rollin Gerstacker and their son, Carl Gerstacker. The Gerstacker family lived in Cleveland, Ohio and was active in many charities there. After Eda’s husband died in 1945, she moved to Midland, Michigan to be with her daughter Elsa and her son Carl, a University of Michigan College of Engineering graduate, who worked for the Dow Chemical Company and subsequently became Chairman of the Board. The Foundation’s purpose was to carry on, indefinitely, financial aid to charities of all types supported by Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Gerstacker during their lifetimes.

The College of Engineering is grateful to the Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation for their generosity and support. In recognition of this significant gift, we request that the Regents formally establish the Rollin M. Gerstacker Professorship in Engineering effective May 1, 2007.

RECOMMENDED BY: 

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

RECOMMENDATION ENDORSED BY: 

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

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Sujit K. and Uma A. Pandit Professorship in Pediatric Anesthesiology

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 19, 2007

On the recommendation of Kevin K. Tremper, Ph.D., M.D., the Robert B. Sweet Professor and Chair of the Department of Anesthesiology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Sujit K. and Uma A. Pandit Professorship in Pediatric Anesthesiology, effective April 19, 2007.

This professorship is made possible through departmental resources and intended to support the activities of the Associate Chair of Clinical Affairs for the Pediatric Anesthesiology Service in the Department of Anesthesiology. The initial appointment period for the Pandit Professor will be five years and the appointment may be renewed.

Sujit K. Pandit, M.D., Ph.D., and Uma A. Pandit, M.D. achieved national and international recognition for their innovations in clinical technique and patient care. Dr. Uma Pandit received her medical degree from the Government Medical College in Patiala, India. In 1973, the couple immigrated to the United States for additional training and academic appointments. Dr. Uma Pandit joined the faculty at the University of Michigan in 1978, and achieved the rank of Clinical Associate Professor of Anesthesiology in 1988. Dr. Sujit Pandit received the doctor of medicine degree from the University of Calcutta Medical School in 1958. In 1976, he joined the faculty at this institution as Associate Professor, with tenure, and was promoted to the rank of Professor of Anesthesiology in 1978. He retired from active faculty service in 2000 and holds the title of Professor Emeritus of Anesthesiology. Dr. Uma Pandit passed away in 2002.

In addition to serving on 18 professional committees and societies, Dr. Sujit Pandit founded the Society of Ambulatory Anesthesia (SAMBA) and, then long after its founding, served as its president. He was instrumental in the development of preoperative NPO guidelines that are used nationally. Dr. Uma Pandit was most recognized for her expertise in pediatric anesthesiology, and her contributions to the literature in this subspecialty area were extensive and clinically significant. As well as being involved with SAMBA, she directed resident and fellow education in the Section of Pediatric Anesthesiology at the University of Michigan. In this role, she was instrumental in developing a lecture series for the residents and fellows and was a role model and mentor to numerous trainees and junior faculty.
This endowed professorship honors two prominent anesthesiologists for their many contributions to the University of Michigan and supports the ongoing clinical, educational, and research activities in the Section of Pediatric Anesthesiology at this institution. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the Sujit K. and Uma A. Pandit Professorship in Pediatric Anesthesiology.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Interim 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

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Establishment of an Endowed Professorship

NAME: Georgine M. Steude Professorship in Anesthesiology Education

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 19, 2007

On the recommendation of Kevin K. Tremper, Ph.D., M.D., the Robert B. Sweet Professor and Chair of the Department of Anesthesiology, and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee of the Medical School, I am pleased to recommend the establishment of the Georgine M. Steude Professorship in Anesthesiology Education, effective April 19, 2007.

This professorship is made possible through departmental resources and intended to support the activities of the Associate Chair for Education in the Department of Anesthesiology. The initial appointment period for the Steude Professor will be five years and the appointment may be renewed.

After receiving the M.D. degree from Northwestern University, Dr. Steude completed residency training in anesthesiology at the University of Michigan and accepted a faculty position as Instructor in Anesthesiology in 1960. After several years away from this institution, Dr. Steude rejoined the Medical School faculty in 1968. In 1972, she became Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology, and, while acting as chief of obstetrical anesthesiology, she held a secondary appointment as Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. From 1983-89, she was section chief of obstetrical anesthesiology and, during 1985-89, also served as section chief of pediatric anesthesiology. Dr. Steude served as interim chair of the Department of Anesthesiology during 1989-90. In 1991, she took a six-month sabbatical leave to gain additional training in pain management. Upon her return, she was named director of the Acute Pain Service in the Department of Anesthesiology and continued in this capacity until her retirement in 1997.

Throughout her illustrious career, Dr. Steude served on many professional committees of the Michigan Society of Anesthesiologists, including president-elect during 1988-90 and president during 1990-92. Her exemplary teaching paralleled her extensive clinical contributions. During her academic career, Dr. Steude witnessed expansion of the anesthesiology program at the University of Michigan, as well as great changes in the specialty. In 1997, she retired from active faculty service and was named Professor Emerita of Anesthesiology.
The professorship now honors Dr. Steude and her many clinical and educational contributions to anesthesiology and to the University of Michigan. I am pleased, therefore, to recommend the establishment of the Georgine M. Steude Professorship in Anesthesiology Education.

Recommended by

James O. Woolliscroft, M.D.
Interim 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

April 2007
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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Recommendations for approval of other personnel transactions

for regular instructional staff and selected

academic administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST: Extension of an Administrative Appointment

NAME: Robert P. Kelch, M.D.

CURRENT TITLES: Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs and Professor of Pediatrics and Communicable Disease, with tenure, Medical School

TITLE TO BE EXTENDED: Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs

TERM: One Year

EFFECTIVE DATES: September 15, 2008 through September 14, 2009

It gives me pleasure to recommend the extension of Robert P. Kelch's administrative appointment as executive vice president for medical affairs, effective September 15, 2008 through September 14, 2009, at which time it is his intention to retire. During this additional year of service, Dr. Kelch will continue to provide executive leadership for the University of Michigan Health System, and he will lay the groundwork for the transition to his successor.

Dr. Kelch has provided outstanding leadership as executive vice president for medical affairs, and the Health System has made significant advances. The depth of experience and wisdom that he brings to this position, and his commitment to the Health System and the University, has greatly benefited both. I look forward to continuing to work with him over the next few years. It is for these reasons that I strongly recommend the extension of Robert P. Kelch's appointment as executive vice president for medical affairs, effective September 15, 2008 through September 14, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
President

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Additional Appointment to a Collegiate Professorship

NAME: Antonia M. Villarruel

CURRENT TITLE: Professor of Nursing, with tenure, School of Nursing

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Nola J. Pender Collegiate Professor of Nursing, and Professor of Nursing, with tenure, School of Nursing

TERM: Five Years, Renewable

EFFECTIVE DATES: April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2012

On the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the School of Nursing, I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Antonia M. Villarruel as the Nola J. Pender Collegiate Professor of Nursing, effective April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2012.

Nola J. Pender was a professor of nursing from 1990 to 2002 and is one of the most prominent figures in nursing research. The Nola J. Pender Collegiate Professorship in Nursing was established by the Regents in March 2007. A stipend funded from School of Nursing resources accompanies this professorship.

Professor Villarruel received a B.S.N. in 1978 from Nazareth College, a M.S.N. in 1982 from the University of Pennsylvania, and Ph.D. in nursing in 1993 from the Wayne State University.

Professor Villarruel has demonstrated outstanding, consistent scholarship with a sustained, impressive record of extramural funding, in multiple areas since 2000. She has been the PI on four major projects: a R01 from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to test a culturally sensitive intervention to reduce HIV risk among Latino adolescents, a second R01 from the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) to conduct an international study in Mexico to test ways to reduce HIV risk among Mexican youth, a R03 from the Fogarty International Center at the NIH to examine HIV prevention among Oaxacan youth in rural Mexico, and a P20 from the NINR to establish an important collaborative research center between the University of Michigan and the University of Texas at Austin (a minority-based institution) to study health disparities. It is also noteworthy that Professor Villarruel obtained three supplemental grants to facilitate the research of younger investigators affiliated with her program of research. The studies utilized demanding research designs such as randomized clinical trials, examined complex and culturally sensitive variables, enrolled multiple participants from the same household, or sought participations from various hard-to-reach rural and international sites. These multiple projects represent a tremendous amount of organizational work, community support, and research expertise typical of a very seasoned researcher. In addition, Professor Villarruel is currently a co-investigator on seven other funded studies; e.g. one study extends her HIV research with investigators from the University of Pennsylvania colleagues; two studies extend her expertise in health disparity with interdisciplinary colleagues at the University of Michigan School of Public Health and a T32 grant to promote pre-doctoral and post-doctoral training in health promotion.
Professor Villarruel has a strong record of teaching effectiveness. Teaching both undergraduate and doctoral courses in her area of expertise, e.g. N862 Conceptual and Methodological Issues in Health Behavior and undergraduate courses e.g. N130 Health Promotion and Risk Reduction. Professor Villarruel has been the research advisor to three Master’s students and served as the reader to three students completing their Master’s research projects. She has also been a member of four dissertation committees at the University of Michigan and chaired two dissertation committees at the University of Pennsylvania. While at the University of Michigan, Professor Villarruel has also provided research advisement for four post-doctoral students. She has been described as integrating her strong theoretical and methodological expertise with the prevention of HIV/AIDS in Latino youth in her teaching to impact policy and practice. She was highly evaluated for her knowledge base of cultural competence in the field of health and her ability to teach these competencies in a manner that engaged the students.

I am pleased to recommend the appointment of Antonia M. Villarruel as the Nola J. Pender Collegiate Professor of Nursing, effective April 1, 2007 through March 31, 2012.

Recommended by: 

Kathleen Potempa, Dean
School of Nursing

Recommendation endorsed by:

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

April 2007
ACTION REQUEST: Approval of an Administrative Appointment

NAME: Cynthia H. Wilbanks

CURRENT TITLE: Vice President for Government Relations, Office of the Vice President for Government Relations

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Vice President Designate for Communications, Office of the Vice President for Communications, and Vice President for Government Relations, Office of the Vice President of Government Relations

EFFECTIVE DATES: May 1, 2007 through June 8, 2007

It is with distinct pleasure that I recommend the appointment of Cynthia H. Wilbanks to the position of interim vice president designate for communications, effective May 1, 2007 through June 8, 2007. Vice President Wilbanks will continue to hold her current title of vice president for government relations while serving as interim vice president designate.

As interim vice president designate, Vice President Wilbanks will work closely with the current interim vice president for communications while Ms. Peterson prepares to leave the University on June 8. This will include working on the development of internal and external communications strategy for the University, and oversight of communication policy, media relations, advertising/marketing, and creative editorial and design services. Vice President Wilbanks will work closely with the current interim vice president, Julie Peterson, to provide leadership in communications for the University and to counsel the president and executive officers regarding communication issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
President

April 2007
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

April 19, 2007

ACTION REQUEST: Approval of an Administrative Appointment

NAME: Cynthia H. Wilbanks

CURRENT TITLE: Vice President for Government Relations, Office of the Vice President for Government Relations

RECOMMENDED TITLES: Interim Vice President for Communications, Office of the Vice President for Communications, and Vice President for Government Relations, Office of the Vice President for Government Relations

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 9, 2007

It is with distinct pleasure that I recommend the appointment of Cynthia H. Wilbanks to the position of interim vice president for communications, effective June 9, 2007. Vice President Wilbanks will continue to hold her current title of vice president for government relations while serving as interim vice president.

As interim vice president for communications, Vice President Wilbanks will develop internal and external communications strategy for the University, and will oversee communication policy, media relations, advertising/marketing, and creative editorial and design services. She will provide leadership in communications for the University and will counsel the president and executive officers regarding communication issues.

Vice President Wilbanks, who earned her Bachelor of Arts degree with distinction in political science from the University of Michigan in 1973, has served as vice president for government relations since September 1998. She also served as interim vice president for development from February 2002 through January 2003. Prior to joining the University administration in 1995 as associate vice president for university relations, she was president of Michigan’s Children, a statewide child advocacy organization. Her political career, spanning over 20 years, includes serving as Washtenaw County field representative and district director for U.S. Congressman Carl D. Pursell, and working as a staff assistant for U.S. Congressman Marvin Esch.

Vice President Wilbanks is extremely active in the community. She serves on the board of directors of the Glacier Hills Retirement Center, the Bank of Ann Arbor, the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, the Riverside Arts Center Foundation, the Nonprofit Enterprise at Work Center, and the State of Michigan United Way. She previously has served as chair of the Innovation Center, as co-chair of the Michigan Technology Council Government Relations Committee, and on the advisory boards of Motor Meals of Ann
Arbor and the Junior League of Ann Arbor. She is a member of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club, the Michigan Alumni Association, and the Detroit Symphony Volunteer Council. Among the honors Vice President Wilbanks has received are the Michigan Technology Council's Director's Award for Outstanding Service, the Washtenaw United Way's Volunteer Service Award, and the Spectrum Prevention Services' Toast of the Town Spirit Award. In 2002, Vice President Wilbanks was named one of the 100 most influential women in Metro Detroit by Crain's Detroit Business, and also received the Women of Distinction Award from the Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council.

Vice President Wilbanks brings to her new responsibilities a thorough understanding of the public and external dimensions of the University's work, broad knowledge of the local, state, and national contexts in which the University operates, and a working knowledge of issues from a public relations and communications standpoint.

I have enormous respect for Vice President Wilbanks, for the leadership skills she brings to the University as an executive officer, and I am grateful that she is willing to take on this important role. It is with pleasure that I recommend the appointment of Cynthia H. Wilbanks as interim vice president for communications, effective June 9, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sue Coleman
President

April 2007
Recommendations for approval of joint or additional appointments
or transfers of regular associate or full professors and selected
academic administrative staff
THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-FLINT
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

April 19, 2007

ACTION REQUEST:  Change of Title and Transfer of Tenure of a Faculty Member

NAME:  Steven C. Althoen

CURRENT TITLE:  Professor of Mathematics, with tenure, College of Arts and Sciences

RECOMMENDED TITLE:  Professor of Mathematics Education, with tenure, School of Education and Human Services

EFFECTIVE DATE:  September 1, 2007

The College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education and Human Services recommend the change of title and transfer of tenure for Steven C. Althoen, from professor of mathematics, with tenure, College of Arts and Science to professor of mathematics education, with tenure, School of Education and Human Services, effective September 1, 2007.

Professor Althoen received his B.A. from Kenyon College in 1969 and his Ph.D. from the City University of New York in 1973. He joined the University of Michigan-Flint as assistant professor in 1975 and was promoted to associate professor, with tenure, and professor in 1980 and 1985, respectively.

Dr. Althoen has served on numerous department and university committees including the Mathematics Department Scholarships Committee and worked on the Family Math Nights at local high schools. He served as chair of the Mathematics Department from 1985 to 1989. He is the department liaison to the Mathematical Association of America and serves as co-editor of the Classroom Capsules section of the College Mathematics Journal. Among awards that he has received is the University of Michigan-Flint Scholarly or Creative Achievement Award in 1990.

This recommendation is supported by the executive committees of the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education and Human Services and the Academic Affairs Advisory Committee. We therefore recommend the change of title and transfer of tenure for Steven C. Althoen, from professor of mathematics, with tenure, College of Arts and Science to professor of mathematics education, with tenure, School of Education and Human Services, effective September 1, 2007.

Recommended by:

Christine Waters, Acting Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

Susanne Chandler, Dean
School of Education and Human Services

Recommendation endorsed by:

Jack Kay, Acting Chancellor and
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

April 2007