THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Beverly J. Schmoll, Ph.D., dean of graduate programs and research, Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and professor of physical therapy, School of Health Professions and Studies, University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2001.

Professor Schmoll received her B.S. and M.A. degrees from Wayne State University in 1967 and 1972, respectively, and her Ph.D. degree from Michigan State University in 1981. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an assistant professor in 1984, and was promoted to associate professor in 1988, and professor in 1995. Professor Schmoll served as acting director (1986-87) and director (1988-93) of the Department of Physical Therapy, interim director of graduate and special programs (1993-96), dean of graduate programs and research (1996-98 and 1999-2001), and interim chancellor (1998-99).

Professor Schmoll is a leading authority in the field of physical therapy with special expertise in the study of behavioral aspects of physical therapy, carpal tunnel syndrome, education and professional development in physical therapy, research methodology, and upper quadrant cumulative trauma disorders. She authored numerous peer-reviewed journal articles, abstracts, book reviews, and technical reports in the leading scholarly publications. As dean of graduate programs and research, Professor Schmoll oversaw the addition of several new graduate programs at the master's level, strengthened ties with the Ann Arbor and Dearborn campuses in areas of graduate education, and enhanced administrative support for research and graduate education. Her professional contributions have included serving as an evaluator and consultant for the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, president of the Michigan Physical Therapy Association (MPTA), and as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA). Professor Schmoll received the APTA's Lucy Blair Service Award (1990) and Pauline Cerasoli Lectureship Award (2000).

The Regents now salute this distinguished physical therapy educator for her dedicated service by naming Beverly J. Schmoll dean emerita of graduate programs and research and professor emerita of physical therapy.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill, J.D.
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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