ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

 Thomas Lamb, B.Sc., M.B.A., research scientist and lecturer, Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering, College of Engineering, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2006.

Mr. Lamb received his B.Sc. degree from King’s College, Durham University, in 1958, and his M.B.A. degree from Tulane University in 1990. He joined the University of Michigan in 1995 as a research scientist in the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute (UMTRI) and adjunct associate professor in the Department of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (NAME). From 1996-2002, Mr. Lamb served as head of the Marine Systems Division of UMTRI and director of the Naval Sea Systems Command Ship Production Science Program (NAVSEA) in NAME. In 2002, his appointment was changed to research scientist and adjunct associate professor in NAME. His title of adjunct associate professor was changed to lecturer in 2005.

Mr. Lamb’s book, Engineering for Ship Production, is highly regarded in the profession, and three of his many papers have received national awards. His research in the area of shipbuilding technology has been funded consistently by the Department of the Navy, the Office of Naval Research, and NAVSEA. He has held leadership positions in the Society of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (SNAME) and was the editor of the society’s new book on ship design and construction published in 2003. In 1994 he received the SNAME William M. Kennedy Award for his outstanding service and contributions in the area of shipbuilding improvement.

Within the classroom, Mr. Lamb developed two new courses and revamped two others in the areas of ship design and production. He was the primary instructor and advisor in ship production science for NAVSEA. As a testament to his success, he received the College of Engineering’s Outstanding Group Advisor Award in 2005 from the student group, the Quarterdeck Society.

The Regents now salute this distinguished researcher and educator for his dedicated service by naming Thomas Lamb research scientist emeritus.

Requested by:

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