

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Barbara J. Kriigel, M.S.L., associate director and librarian in the University of Michigan-Dearborn Mardigian Library, retired from active faculty status on July 22, 2019.

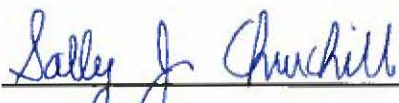
Ms. Kriigel received her B.A. degree from Andrews University in 1974 and her M.S.L. degree from Western Michigan University in 1979. She joined the UM-Dearborn faculty as a senior associate librarian in 1989, and was promoted to librarian in 1996. Initially serving as the department head of Technical Services, Ms. Kriigel became an assistant director in 1996, and an associate director in 2001, a title she held until her retirement in 2019. Her position included the supervision of four departments: User Services, Technical Services, Systems, and Art Collections & Exhibitions.

Ms. Kriigel co-chaired the committee that oversaw the selection and implementation of a new integrated library system. Based on this work, UM-Dearborn's provost asked her to chair the campus-wide committee that selected and implemented a new student information system, a four-year project that replaced the homegrown registration system. Ms. Kriigel also led or partnered on other major projects, including the Voice/Vision Holocaust Survivor Oral History Archive, the Juvenile Historic Collection, as well as created the annual Young Authors' Festival in collaboration with faculty from the Department of Education.

Ms. Kriigel was actively involved in library leadership and management, most recently chairing a library committee that evaluated, updated, and created library assessment strategies. Fund raising and donor stewardship were especially important to Ms. Kriigel, along with mentoring other librarians, staff, and student assistants. She served as the interim library director from July 2011-September 2011 and January 2018-June 2018. Special projects provided Ms. Kriigel with the opportunity to assist two Holocaust survivors with the editing and publishing of their memoirs through UM-Dearborn. She co-authored several book chapters describing the library's collaborations and assessment efforts. Ms. Kriigel also served on numerous university committees. She was known for her strong leadership, organizational skills, and results-oriented outlook. During her tenure, Ms. Kriigel also gave numerous presentations at conferences and workshops.

The Regents now salute this dedicated and accomplished leader by naming **Barbara J. Kriigel, librarian emerita**.

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