THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

Adopted by the Regents December 18, 2014

ACTION REQUEST

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

John B. Poster, Ph.D., professor of public administration and education in the College of Education, Health, and Human Services, University of Michigan-Dearborn, will retire from active faculty status on December 30, 2014.

Professor Poster received his B.A. (1961), M.A.T. (1963), and Ph.D. (1971) degrees from the University of Chicago. He served on the faculty of Northeastern Illinois University (1968-69), the University of Chicago (1969-73), Fordham University (1973-86), and Pace University (1986-90). Professor Poster joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn as dean of the School of Education and professor in 1990. He served as dean from 1990-2005.

An exemplary teacher, scholar, and leader, Professor Poster focused on developing programmatic excellence in the preparation of K-12 teachers, the preparation of professionals to work with children that have special needs, and the preparation of managers for the public and education sectors. Professor Poster's leadership played an instrumental role in the addition and revision of the Master of Public Administration program and the establishment of the Master of Special Education degree. His teaching and research focused on social studies, educational leadership and educational policy and finance. Professor Poster authored numerous publications, was a frequent invited lecturer at national symposia, and was actively involved in several professional organizations. He has received many honors in recognition of his achievements including the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education's Recognition Award (1996), the UM-Dearborn's Distinguished Service Award (2005), and the UM-Dearborn School of Education Alumni Affiliate Board's Distinguished Service Award (2005).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for his dedicated service by naming John B. Poster professor emeritus of public administration and education.

Requested by:

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