

May 29-30, 2008

ITEM 139-1005-R0508

Title of Instructor Emeritus of Business Technology: Vicki Micheletto; College of Technology, UM-Missoula

THAT:

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Vicki Micheletto from the faculty of The University of Montana, the faculty wishes to express its appreciation for her years of dedicated and valued service to The University, the College of Technology, and the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Instructor Emeritus be conferred upon her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

EXPLANATION:

Vicki began her teaching career in post secondary education after leaving an extensive career in the field of law. She has been a member of the College of Technology faculty since 1980. During her tenure at UMCOT, Vicki has served as Department Chairperson; member of the Faculty Senate and Academic Court; and director of the legal assisting advisory committee.

While serving as chair of the Business Technology department, Vicki directed the reorganization of the unit; supported the implementation of a new department of Applied Computing and Electronics Technology that grew out of Business Technology; oversaw program review of the Culinary Arts/Food Service Management programs; updated the curriculum in business programs to ensure smoother transition for students moving to a bachelor's degree program; and worked to develop and implement the paralegal program. Following retirement as a full time faculty member, Vicki has continued to serve the students of Montana as a member of advisory boards, consultant for accreditation preparation, and adjunct faculty member.

Vicki is also an active member of the Missoula community where she participates in social justice work, volunteers at a local shelter/soup kitchen, works as a volunteer in YMCA and high school programs and more.

Vicki's legacy will be carried forward by the thousands of students who developed their skills from her talents and knowledge. Her students' success is a true testament to Vicki's creative and student-centered classroom instruction.

With this recommendation go sincere thanks for 26 years of invaluable service to the State of Montana and The University of Montana.