

September 12-13, 2018

**ITEM 180-1006-R0918**

**Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Geosciences on George D. Stanley, Jr.**

---

**THAT**

Upon the occasion of the retirement of George D. Stanley from the faculty of the University of Montana, the faculty wishes to express their appreciation for his 35 years of dedicated and valued service to the University and the State of Montana by requesting that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

---

**EXPLANATION**

Dr. Stanley received his Ph.D. from the University of Kansas in 1977 and joined the faculty of the University of Montana as an Assistant Professor of Geology in the fall of 1982. Professor Stanley's teaching was focused on paleontology and field geology. He engaged students by direct involvement in examining and analyzing local/regional/global paleontological problems, which had a profound impact on their future careers. He mentored dozens of undergraduates through senior theses and graduate students through M.S. theses and Ph.D. dissertations during his career.

Professor Stanley's research during the last twenty years has been primarily in the area of coral reefs and their Mesozoic recovery after the end-of-Permian global extinction event. During his career he authored over 190 referred journal publications as well as 27 books and monographs. In support of his research he received grants and contracts totaling over \$3 million, mostly from the National Science Foundation. As a result of his research accomplishments he was invited and served as a panelist for a wide range of government funding agencies, non-profit organizations and participated on advisory and editorial boards of organizations and journals. Professor Stanley is a Fellow of the Geological Society of America and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Professor Stanley started serving as Director of the UM Paleontology Center in 2005 and continues in that capacity.

The College of Humanities and Sciences is pleased to nominate Professor Stanley for emeritus status.

---

**ATTACHMENTS**

No attachments