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ITEM 205-2703-R0323

Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Adjunct Assistant Professor Emerita of Educational Theory and Practice upon Ms. Katherine Holt; Montana State University Billings

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Ms. Katherine Holt from Montana State University Billings, faculty in the College of Education wish to express their appreciation for her service to the University, the Montana University System, and the people of the State of Montana and recommend that the rank of Adjunct Assistant Professor Emerita of Educational Theory and Practice, be conferred on Ms. Katherine Holt by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

EXPLANATION

Katherine Holt earned her B.A. degree in Language Arts Education from George Fox College graduating magna cum laude in 1981. In 1986 she graduated with a Master of Arts in Teaching from Lewis and Clark College.

She has worked at Montana State University Billings for twenty-five years. She joined Montana State University Billings in 1997 as a part time instructor in the English Department in the College of Arts and Sciences. She also taught classes at MSUB College of Technology and supervised student teachers in the College of Education. In 1999 she joined the Department of Educational Theory and Practice in a full-time position as the Clinical Practice Coordinator for field experiences in the College of Education with additional teaching responsibilities. In this position she coordinated the placement and supervision of education majors in junior field and student teaching, worked with school districts, trained university supervisors, and conducted seminars for student teachers. She built relationships with school district partners both in the community and across the state and she has collaborated with field experience coordinators at other Montana institutions of high education. This work has been invaluable as the College of Education develops opportunities for teacher candidates in schools.

She had teaching responsibilities as a non-tenured Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Theory and Practice where she taught education courses each semester. She was an English and Language Arts teacher in Oregon for 8 years and an English teacher in the Billings Adult Education program for 4 years and was able to bring her own classroom experience to her college students. In addition, she has served on many MSUB college and campus committees, acted as the liaison between the Department of Educational Theory and Practice and the English department for secondary English majors and she has advised education majors in the College of Education. In recognition of her contributions to the university she was awarded the MSUB Faculty Excellence Award for non-tenured faculty in both 2012 and 2020. In recognition of Ms. Katherine Holt's excellence in teaching, and service to MSU Billings, the State of Montana and her profession, the faculty of the College of Education are honored to nominate Ms. Katherine Holt to the rank of Adjunct Assistant Professor Emerita of Educational Theory and Practice.

For these and other contributions, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer upon Ms. Katherine Holt the rank of Adjunct Assistant Professor Emerita of Educational Theory and Practice at Montana State University Billings and wishes her well for many years into the future.

ATTACHMENTS

None