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Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Health and Human Performance, Montana State University Billings: Russell H. Lord, Ph.D.

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Russell H. Lord from the faculty of Montana State University Billings, the faculty wishes to extend its appreciation for Dr. Lord's dedication and valued service to the College of Allied Health Professions, the Department of Health and Human Performance, the University, and community by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

EXPLANATION

With more than 30 years of service to Montana State University Billings (MSUB), Dr. Lord is eligible for the honored status of Full Professor Emeritus. Dr. Lord began his career at Montana State University Billings (Eastern Montana College) on September 18, 1985. He was awarded tenure in 1987, with promotion to Full Professor in 1988-89. During his tenure at MSUB/EMC, Dr. Lord served the Department as an administrator, leader, researcher, consultant, teacher and advisor. Dr. Lord's service began in the College of Education (COE) and when the College of Allied Health Professions (CAHP) was created in 2004, he held a dual appointment within the two Colleges. In 2010 his appointment was changed to 100% College of Allied Health Professions. Dr. Lord has served as chair of the Health and Human Performance (HHP) Department (2010-2013), Acting Dean for CAHP (2005), Interim Dean for COE (Summer 2001), Associate Dean for COE (1999-2001), and chair of the Department of Educational Foundations (1988-2001).

Dr. Russell Lord earned his bachelor of arts in sociology/anthropology from William Penn College in 1972; his master of science in psychology (clinical emphasis) from Central Missouri State University in 1975; his doctorate in educational psychology and sport psychology from Texas Tech University in 1979.

Dr. Lord initiated the formation of the MSUB Institutional Review Board and served as chair from 1987 to 1991 and again from 2004 to 2006. He served as the Faculty Athletic Representative for MSUB Athletics from 1995 to 2001. During that time a new Athletic Director was hired. He also provided essential bridges among student athletes, academic faculty, and athletics. Under his leadership in HHP the Master's Degree in Athletic Training, the Bachelor's degree in Outdoor Adventure Leadership, and the HHP option in Human Performance were added to MSUB's degree offerings.

When the University changed from the quarter to semester system in 1989, the Vice Chancellor called upon Dr. Lord to serve as the campus-wide Coordinator to successfully navigate this major undertaking in the curriculum.

During his tenure at Montana State University Billings, Russ Lord received *Faculty Achievement* awards (1994 and 2001), *Outstanding Faculty* awards (2010-2011 and 2013-2014), recognition from the Center on

Disability, and an award for the *Outstanding Accounting Education Paper* from the Western Region American Accounting Association (1999).

Diversity of Dr. Lord's scholarly achievements is illustrated by his three dozen professional publications found in the variety of these journals: *International Journal of Sport Psychology*, *Journal of Sport Behavior*, *The Ohio Journal of Science*, *School Science and Mathematics*, *Perceptual and Motor Skills*, *Journal of Psychoactive Drugs*, *Journal of Applied Business Research*, *Health Education and Behavior*, and *Substance Use and Abuse*. In addition, Dr. Lord has been co-editor for the currently used text for KIN 104 (*Foundations of Exercise Science*), as well as contributing chapters and mentoring colleagues in the process of writing. For 20 years, Dr. Lord also wrote a column "the Mental Game" in *The Sports Page*, a quarterly regional publication by OrthoMontana (previously called Orthopedic Associates).

Research achievements also included writing grants funded from \$1,000 at the local level to \$1,000,000 from the Center of Substance Abuse and Treatment. Successful grant applications were also submitted to the National Science Foundation, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Education's Dwight D. Eisenhower Mathematics and Science Education Program, and Montana's Resource for Assistive Technology Tools and Services (MonTECH), and the Fund to Improve Post-secondary Education (FIPSE). He has presented his research at international conferences, national conferences, regional conferences and local venues.

Internationally, Dr. Lord presented a lecture series in Sweden, sponsored by Vaxjo University in 1995, which involved three universities in their system. In 2002, he was also part of a prestigious lecture series at Whitman College in Spokane, WA.

At the national level, referred presentations were given at American Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD), National Science Teachers Association, U.S. Olympic Academy, American Public Health Association, National School Science and Mathematics Association, Rural and Small Schools Association, Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology, and the VII Commonwealth and International Conference on Sport.

Regionally, Dr. Lord presented at the Northwest AAHPERD, Western Psychological Association, and the Western Region American Accounting Association. Local presentations include those given to doctors at Montana Family Practice Residency program during their fellowship training program, athletic trainers during Montana Athletic Trainers continuing education series, participants at the Magic City Sport Medicine Conference, and teachers in several Montana school districts.

Consulting with local and state agencies has ranged across numerous K-12 school districts, Billings Youth Court Services, the Montana Law Enforcement Academy, Little Bighorn College, various publishers, Montana Bureau for Emergency Medical Services, Conoco, the U.S. Olympic Committee's Sport Registry, City of Hardin, and the Montana Office of Public Instruction.

Successful student advising is evidenced by HHP graduates being accepted into top-rated Doctorates in Physical Therapy program, physician assistant programs and medical schools. He has also served multiple terms on University Rank and Tenure Committee, Faculty Senate, Undergraduate Curriculum, and an assignment as campus representative to the Montana Board of Regents. Teaching off campus led to establishment by Global Travel Alliance of an annual Dr. Russell Lord Scholarship Award for Service that is

offered to students seeking to travel on educational trips. From 2008 to 2014 Dr. Lord taught an early morning Senior Science Seminar class at West High School with John Miller, Science Department Chair.

From his significant service and success as an educator and researcher, Dr. Lord's achievements have been recognized throughout his tenure at the University. *Faculty Achievement* awards (1994 and 2001), *Outstanding Faculty* awards (2010 – 2011 and 2013 – 2014), recognition from the Center on Disability, and an award for the *Outstanding Accounting Education Paper* from the Western Region American Accounting Association.

For these numerous and highly notable contributions, Dr. Russell H. Lord is recommended for the rank of Professor Emeritus of Health and Human Performance at Montana State University Billings.

ATTACHMENTS

None