

November 17-18, 2016

**ITEM 173-2001-R1116**

**Request authorization from the Board of Regents to confer the title of Professor Emeritus of Film and Photography upon Stephanie Campbell**

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**THAT**

Authorization is requested from the Board of Regents that Dr. Stephanie Campbell be granted emeritus status at Montana State University with the title of Professor Emeritus of Film and Photography.

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**EXPLANATION**

Professor Campbell served for more than three decades as one of the leading professors of theater and film at Montana State University (MSU). Initially specializing in acting and directing, her work moved into additional areas related to film and media work including narration, improvisation, and mask work. She mentored several generations of students who have now become leaders in the theater, film and applied media industries. She also distinguished herself as a working professional actor and director, creating innovative theatrical productions in Montana and performing in many productions for other directors. She was one of the leading professors in teaching acting for the camera and explaining how to include a dramatic emphasis to the extensive technical training provided by the School.

A mainstay of Bozeman and Montana theatrical communities, she was one of the first stars of the now legendary original Broad Comedy troupe and appeared in many student and professional films. Her Mainstage Play directing in both the old Strand Union Theatre and the newer Black Box Theatre revealed a bravura command of acting and directing technique, stage design, lighting, and overall emotional impact. She demonstrated by her own example the passion, knowledge, talent, and dedication needed to be a true arts professional.

Later in her career she did an extensive study of the many uses of masks in theatrical and healing traditions. She has shared her knowledge throughout the United States and the rest of the world, teaching workshops in major United States cities and in Africa, Europe, Asia, Australia, and New Zealand. She is now recognized as one of the few international experts in this field.

For these and other contributions, Montana State University requests that the Montana Board of Regents of Higher Education confer upon Stephanie Campbell the rank of Professor Emeritus of Film and Photography at Montana State University.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

None