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ITEM 197-2002-R1121

Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Animal Science upon Patrick G. Hatfield; Montana State University

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Patrick G. Hatfield from Montana State University, the Board of Regents wishes to express its appreciation for his service to the University, the Montana University System, and the people of the State of Montana.

EXPLANATION

Dr. Hatfield has served as animal science faculty since 1997, a twenty-four-year span including teaching in the classroom, maintaining an active research program, and serving as department head and livestock operations manager.

Widely published in both professional journals and popular press, Dr. Hatfield was frequently invited to present his research. With a strong belief in MSU's mission of service, Dr Hatfield created a free online sheep ration program with over 2500 active accounts in more than 60 countries. Such service was acknowledged with a distinguished award from the Western Section of the American Society of Animal Science.

Dr. Hatfield's teaching included many lab practicums for both undergraduate and graduate students. In conjunction with his fellow instructors, Dr. Hatfield helped to convert several large yet unproductive labs to fully experimental learning courses.

Dr. Hatfield's administrative roles with department, the College, and the Experiment Station, were extensive. He led improvements in the university's livestock operation, and new academic programs, most notably the sustainability livestock production program and the Dan Scott Ranch management Program. During his eight years as department head, he led the department through two external program reviews.

For these and other contributions, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer upon Pat Hatfield the rank of Professor Emeritus of Animal Science at Montana State University and wishes him well for many years into the future.

ATTACHMENTS

None