## ITEM 181-2001-R1118

## <u>Request for authorization to confer the title of Associate Professor Emeritus of Education on Arthur</u> <u>Bangert, Montana State University</u>

## THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Dr. Arthur Bangert from the Department of Education at 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. Arthur Bangert received his bachelor's degree in Biology (emphasis in Secondary Education) from Kent State University. He received his Master's of Science in Guidance and Counseling from Youngstown State University and an Education Specialist's degree in School Psychology from the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Dr. Bangert completed his Doctorate of Education with a focus on educational research and evaluation in 1995 from the University of South Dakota.

Teaching teachers and school leaders how to conduct independent research to improve their practice and school performance has been a passion of Dr. Bangert's throughout his career at MSU. Dr. Bangert has been particularly committed to teaching education statistics in a way that reduces students' anxiety and uses applied, concrete examples that students can relate to within the context of their prior educational and professional experiences. Recognizing his tremendous achievement in this area, Dr. Bangert received the "Outstanding Teaching of the Year" award from the Department of Education in 2006 and 2012.

Not only did Dr. Bangert excel in teaching in the graduate classroom, he brought his personalized focus to teaching to the 20 EdD and PhD students whose dissertations he chaired. Dr. Bangert's commitment to doctoral education was evident in his work to develop the PhD program in Education (the first in Montana, approved by the Board of Regents in 2014).

In addition to his teaching, Dr. Bangert has published 35 peer-reviewed journal articles, many which include former graduate students as co-authors. He has authored or co-authored 4 book chapters, 5 manuscripts in published proceedings, and presented extensively at inter/national conferences.

Dr. Bangert has been a conscientious supporter of MSU's land grant mission, serving for seven years on the Montana Office of Public Montana Technical Advisory committee. This instrumental committee assisted the Montana Office of Instruction in developing and administering the Montana Comprehensive Assessment Criterion Referenced test that was used to evaluate student progress toward meeting the goals of *No Child Left Behind* legislation. Dr. Bangert also served as Co-Principal investigator from 2006-2019 for the Bozeman Title II Teaching Quality Grant designed to provide Montana's K-12 teachers and MSU English faculty with collaborative professional development in the area of writing instruction and assessment. In addition to his outreach to the state, Dr. Bangert has been a stalwart university community member, serving on University Graduate Council (2014-15), the MSU Assessment and Outcomes Committee (2003-08), and the MSU Student Conduct Hearing Board (2004-09).

For these and other contributions, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer on Dr. Arthur Bangert the rank of Associate Professor Emeritus of Education at Montana State University and wishes him well for many years in the future.