

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

MEMORANDUM

February 5, 2025

To: ERFSA Committee
From: Office of Academic Affairs
RE: Emeritus status nominations for review

The following retired staff and faculty have been nominated for Emeritus status in spring 2025. Please review the nominations for recommendation to the University Senate.

1. Kenny Richards

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Past Position: Education Lecturer and Educational Leadership Program Leader 2014-2024

Nominated By: Jim Woglom (jw2311@humboldt.edu)

Dr. Kenny Richards joined our University community in 1973 when he was recruited to play football for the Lumberjacks at Humboldt State University. He graduated in 1976 with a BS in Business Administration and a Business Education teaching credential and was hired by the Northern Humboldt Union High School District. He then worked for Northern Humboldt for 36.5 years, serving as a business teacher, department chair, coach, athletic director, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent of business, and, finally, superintendent of the district for 15 years. During this time he accrued a preliminary administrative services credential, a clear administrative credential, and an MA in Education from Humboldt. He then pursued and completed a doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Laverne. Upon retirement from Northern Humboldt, Kenny was approached by Dr. Dale Olver and Greg Aslanian and asked to serve as the Program Leader and primary instructor in the Educational Leadership Administrative Credential Program at Humboldt State, where worked from 2014-2024. During this time, Kenny helped to prepare 204 Preliminary Administrator Credential Candidates. Kenny is a kind and caring man who consistently models a love for education, broadly, and the Humboldt Education community, specifically, and his contributions will continue to be felt in the School



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