Ohio Northern University
MEMORANDUM

November 26, 2014

To: Faculty and Staff

Re: University Faculty Meeting

The regular meeting of the Faculty for September will be held Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the Activities Room of McIntosh Center. The agenda is as follows:

1. Call to order.
2. Invocation – Dr. Lisa Robeson.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Approval of Fall Term Graduates – Registrar’s Office.
6. Honorary Degree recommendations – Dr. Smalley (Attachment I).
7. Report from University Council – Dr. Jeff Allison.
8. Reports from Constitutional Committee
   a) Budget and Appropriations – Dr. Jeff Christoff
   b) Academic Affairs – Dr. Firas Hassan
   c) Student Affairs – Dr. Jenny Walton
   d) Personnel – Dr. Michele Govekar
9. Reports from Operational Committees
   a) Athletic Events – Professor Thomas Simmons
   b) Cultural Events – Dr. Laurie Bell
   c) International Affairs – Dr. Brian Keas
   d) Religious Affairs – Chaplain David MacDonald
   e) Information Technology – Mr. Jeff Rieman
10. Questions for the President – Dr. Dan DiBiasio.
12. Other reports.
15. Adjournment.
HONORARY DEGREE NOMINATIONS FOR 2014-15

Albert Baillis joined the law faculty at Ohio Northern in 1957 where he rapidly advanced to Professor of Law in 1962. During this period, he spent three summers as a graduate student at New York University which awarded him a Master of Law degree in 1962. Through his 35 year career as law professor, Baillis was an outstanding classroom teacher who combined a sincere, friendly, disposition with an ability to critically and objectively analyze evolving legal principles. His devotion to the Cleveland sports teams is legendary and has endeared him to generations of students as has his use in the classroom of mythical characters such as “Rodney” and “Rowena.” Baillis served as part-time County Court Judge from 1975 to 1979, during which time he received two awards from the Supreme Court of Ohio recognizing his excellence in judicial office. He has served as President of the League of Ohio Law Schools, President of the Ada Kiwanis Club and Editor of the Real Property Section Newsletter of the Ohio State Bar Association. He has served on numerous university and law school committees—chairing the important law school Promotion-Retention Committee for several years. Baillis received the University’s Faculty Award in 1982, and was named as the first holder of the Fisher Chair in 1984. He also served the university as Acting Dean of the College of Law from 1975 to 1977. He received his A.B. and J.D. from Case Western Reserve and his LL.M. from New York University.

John J. Bishop joined Motorists Companies in 1972 and has held a succession of field, home office management and executive positions. In his current responsibilities, he serves as the chief executive officer for the collective group of ten insurance entities doing business in twenty-eight states with more than 3,000 independent agents and sales representatives. He holds the Chartered Property and Casualty and Chartered Life Underwriter designations. He is active in numerous community and industry organizations, serving as a member of the board of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies (NAMIC); past Chairman of the NAMIC PAC; Trustee and Secretary for the Griffith Insurance Education Foundation and Trustee and Secretary for Ohio Insurance Institute. Bishop is past president of the Association of Ohio Life Insurance Companies, and the Ohio Association of Mutual Insurance Companies. He is a graduate of Ohio Northern University where he serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and serves on the College of Business Administration Advisory Board. He has been recognized by the Professional Insurance Agents of Ohio with a Presidential Citation and as the “Industry Person of the Year,” and has also received the National Service Award from NAMIC.

David E. Burke is an innovator in pharmacy practice. While independent retail pharmacies are closing at an alarming rate across the country, Burke has proven with passion, civic service, community involvement, and innovation, you can succeed in business. He is the president/owner of Dave’s Pharmacy in Marysville, Ohio. In less than two years, he was able to take his pharmacy to one of the top retail independent pharmacies in the country (as recognized by Cardinal Health). Burke has been innovative in setting up partnership with companies to reduce overall healthcare costs for their employees. He has worked successfully with Honda to accomplish this within his community. As a member of the Ohio Senate, Burke puts his extensive knowledge and expertise of the healthcare industry to work as Vice-Chair of the Medicaid, Health & Human Services Committee and Chair of the Finance Subcommittee on Medicaid. He also serves as Chairman of the Senate State Government Oversight & Reform Committee, and as a member of the Agriculture Committee, the Insurance & Financial Institutions Committee, the Rules Committee, and the budget-writing Finance Committee. Senator Burke has been recognized numerous times for his work in the legislature. He was named Legislator of the Year in 2012 by NAMI Ohio, and recently by the Ohio Association of Election Officials. He has also been recognized by the Ohio Pharmacists Association (2012 Good Government Award), the Ohio Psychological Association (2012 Public Service Award), Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging (2011 Elected Official Advocacy Award), and Voices for Ohio’s Children (Champion for Children’s Healthcare). Burke graduated from
Ohio Northern University with a bachelor’s degree in pharmacy and later obtained an MBA from Capital University.

Roger Young joined the ONU faculty in 1964 and retired in 1998 as professor of accounting. He didn’t stay retired long; he missed the interaction with students. After eight years at Bluffton University, he returned to ONU as a visiting professor emeritus in 2008. During his tenure at ONU, Young garnered numerous teaching awards and won ONU’s first “Professor of the Year” contest in 1975. He also served in a variety of leadership roles, including chair of the department of business administration and economics from 1974 to 1978, interim dean of the college of business administration from 1984 to 1986, vice president of financial affairs from 1989 to 1993 and again from 2011 to 2012. Young earned the respect of his students and colleagues through his impeccable character and actions. His students were his top priority, as evidenced by these words, which he typed on the top of every course syllabus: “There is nothing more important in my academic life than your success in this class.” The Dicke College of Business Administration recently established the Roger D. Young Endowed Professorship in Accounting to honor the accounting professor emeritus who inspired countless ONU students over a period of more than three decades. “Professor Young was truly a master teacher,” says Dr. Jim Fenton, dean of the College of Business Administration. “He consistently delivered high-quality teaching in what, for most students, is considered a tough subject.” Young received his bachelor’s degree in accounting from Miami University and his M.B.A. in accounting from Xavier University.