TO: Dave Eakin, Chair
Faculty Senate

FROM: Candace Brandenburg
Candace Brandenburg, Administrative Assistant
Office of the Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

DATE: March 14, 2008

RE: Nomination of Mr. Joseph Flohre for Posthumous M.S. in Safety, Security & Emergency Management Degree

The Provost’s office has received a nomination for Mr. Joseph Flohre to be awarded a posthumous M.S. in Safety, Security & Emergency Management degree. Per the policy on the awarding of posthumous degrees, this nomination is being forwarded to you for review by the Executive Committee and Faculty Senate. The Provost will receive positive recommendations for posthumous degrees and implement awarding of such degrees at the Commencement at which the student(s) would have been otherwise recognized.

Attached is the current policy on the awarding of posthumous degrees and the nomination letters from Dr. Collins and Dr. Schneid. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 859-622-3884.

Enclosure

C. Dr. Janna Vice, Interim Associate Provost for Academic and Faculty Affairs
MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Rodney Piercey, Provost
Via: Dr. Janna Vice, Interim Associate Provost
Via: Dr. Allen Ault, Dean
College of Justice and Safety

From: Larry R. Collins, Chair
Safety, Security and Emergency Management

Date: Tuesday, March 04, 2008

Re: Nomination of Mr. Joseph Flohre for Posthumous M.S. in Safety, Security & Emergency Management Degree

I am writing to concur with Dr. Tom Schneid’s recommendation to award Mr. Joseph Flohre the degree of Master of Science in Safety, Security and Emergency Management. I believe he has met the university requirements for awarding the posthumous degrees. Please see Dr. Schneid’s letter that accompanies this request. If you have any additional questions or need any other information, please contact me.
February 27, 2008

To: Dr. Larry Collins
Chair, SSEM

RE: Nomination for Posthumous M.S. in SSEM Degree

Dear Larry:

Pursuant to the university procedure, I would respectfully nominate Mr. Joseph Flohre for the posthumous awarding of the M.S. in Safety, Security and Emergency degree. Mr. Flohre was an online graduate student who died recently after earning 30 hours toward his 36 hour degree. He was employed as the Safety and Loss Prevention Manager for Ryder in Mason, Ohio and was a graduate of Sinclair Community College and the University of Dayton. Mr. Flohre was married for 33 years and had three sons (two deceased) and two grandchildren.

Mr. Flohre was an outstanding graduate student in our online graduate program and an exceptional member of the safety profession. In accordance with the EKU procedure, Mr. Flohre has completed more than 75% of the graduate program requirements for the M.S. in Safety, Security and Emergency Management degree and meets all of the requirements for the awarding of this posthumous degree.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter. If you should wish to discuss this matter in greater detail, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Tom

xc. Tim Matthews
xci. Jackie Levine
xcii. Sheila Patterson
POLICY ON THE AWARDING OF POSTHUMOUS DEGREES

Eastern Kentucky University recognizes the importance of acknowledging significant student achievement at all times, including following the tragic death of a student who has made substantial progress towards the completion of a degree and who has made noteworthy contributions to the University community.

It is therefore proposed that posthumous degrees be considered by the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate if all of the following conditions are met:

1. The student is nominated by the Chair of his/her major department.

2. At the time of his/her death, the student had achieved senior standing/or was within one year of graduation in the case of a Bachelor’s degree; fourth semester standing or within one semester of graduation in the case of an Associate’s degree; have obtained Candidacy plus completed 75% of program requirements for the Master’s degree.

3. The student had been in good academic standing in their program of study at the time of their death.

4. Documentation is provided of the student’s noteworthy contributions to the University community during his/her tenure at the University.

Nominations for posthumous degrees should be forwarded to the Chair of the Faculty Senate and copied to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will forward positive recommendations on to the Faculty Senate, unless there is an emergency situation. The Faculty Senate will forward positive recommendations on to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Research for implementation. The appropriate degree would be awarded at the Commencement at which the student would have been otherwise recognized. The student’s family will be asked to identify an appropriate person to receive the diploma when the student is recognized at the appropriate time in the Commencement ceremony. Except for the fact that the individual receiving the diploma on behalf of the student would not be attired in cap or gown, there would be no other changes in the ceremony.

Proposed: 10/20/99
Approved by Council on Academic Affairs: 10/20/99
Approved by Faculty Senate: 02/07/00
Approved by Board of Regents: 02/00