

**EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
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**ADDENDUM
April 27, 2018**

IV. ACTION ITEMS

M. Tenure Recommendation for Dean of the Booth Library

Based on the review of credentials and with the recommendation of the departmental personnel committee of the Booth Library, the Office of Academic Affairs, in consultation with the President, recommends tenure be awarded to Mr. Zach Newell.

Zach Newell. Mr. Zach Newell comes to EIU from Salem State University in Massachusetts, where he served in various library roles over the past 10 years. While at Salem State, Zach was promoted to the equivalent of full professor and earned tenure. Additionally, Newell has served as a department chair, as well as interim director of the Berry Library (2013-2017). Those varied roles will allow him to bring both faculty and administrative perspectives to EIU, which will assist Booth Library in meeting the evolving demands of its students and faculty. In addition to a master's degree in library science, Newell earned a B.A. in philosophy, as well as an M.A. in art history and he is working to complete a doctoral dissertation focused on creativity and information literacy. Newell is an engaged scholar with multiple peer reviewed contributions, as well as numerous other presentations and papers at national and international conferences. Additionally, he was selected as a Fulbright Scholar during a critical year in recent history—and observed the Arab Spring movement on the ground. During his Fulbright year in Egypt, Zach was affiliated with the Bibliotheca Alexandrina in Alexandria. Zach will begin his duties at EIU on August 1, 2018.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the above tenure recommendation for Mr. Zach Newell effective August 1, 2018.

