University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Awards and Recognition Committee
2009-2010 Annual Report

Members:

Jasmine Alinder Assoc History
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Charter:
Functions/Responsibilities:

A1.6 Awards and Recognition Committee

(1) Membership. Nine members as follows: four elected faculty members; three faculty members appointed by the University Committee; and two students.
(2) Functions.
a) Subject to administrative policies and guidelines and subject to the provisions of gifts, bequests, or other unbudgeted sources not administered directly by colleges, schools, or departments, recommends or selects candidates for awards or recognition for faculty members.
b) Selects recipients for outstanding teacher recognition awards from candidates nominated by students, faculty, or departments.
1) Recommends students for appropriate scholarship awards not under the jurisdiction of other faculty committees or other agencies.
2) Maintains liaison with appropriate system-wide committees where these are pertinent to UWM.
3) Acts as an information clearing house concerning sources of awards and recognition.
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Meetings:

This is the final report of activities of the UWM Awards & Recognition Committee during the 2009-2010 academic year.

The committee engaged in the following activities:

1. 2009-10 UWM Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award

   The committee publicized, considered nominations for, and granted awards to the following faculty members:

   Elizabeth Devine, School of Nursing
Each award carries a cash prize of $1,500. There were eight nominees this year.

2. **2009-10 UWM Distinguished University Service Award**

   The committee publicized, considered nominations for, and granted awards to the following faculty member:

   Gwat Lie, Department of Social Work  
   Virginia Stoffel, Department of Occupational Therapy

   This award carries a cash prize of $1,500.

3. **2009-10 UWM Distinguished Public Service Award**

   The committee publicized, considered nominations for, and granted awards to the following faculty members:

   Anne Basting, Department of Theatre  
   Phyllis King, Department of Occupational Therapy

   Each award carries a cash prize of $1,500.

4. **Ranking of applicants for the 2010 UWM Alumni Association Outstanding Scholar Award**

   The committee reviewed material for 32 applicants recommended for this award. We provided the Alumni Association with a ranking of the top ten candidates.

5. **Consideration and Selection of Nominees for 2010 Regents Teaching Excellence Awards**

   The committee considered the nomination of the Department of Communication, and designated the Department as the campus nominee for this award. Their nomination was forwarded to the Chancellor’s office.

   The committee considered nominations for the individual award and designated John Kahl, the individual campus nominee for this award. His nomination was forwarded to the Chancellor’s office.

6. **Motion for Change in Guidelines for Service Awards**

   The committee discussed how to handle nominations for service awards in the future from individuals who are no longer in administrative positions but who had appointments of greater than 50% administrative in the recent past. The following motion passed: The following new provision be adopted “Nominees must not have had a greater than 50% administrative appointment within the past three years.”
7. Suggestions for Improvement of Committee Effectiveness

The committee again this year urged applicants for all awards to submit their materials electronically, when possible. The response to this initiative was very positive. Some materials were still submitted on paper. We would like to further encourage electronic submission. As indicated last year, the two primary benefits achieved by going paperless were a reduction in paper use and waste (since these documents must be disposed of at the end of the year), and ease of managing documents among committee members and the SoU’s office.

Once again this year student involvement on the committee was challenging. We will work this coming year on being more proactive about ensuring that if scheduling conflicts preclude student involvement (e.g., very limited availability on the part of the student) a replacement representative will be sought.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Klein-Tasman, Chair
UWM Awards & Recognition Committee