

# SENATE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS

## Agenda

11 a.m., Tuesday, February 18, 2025

Zoom

- 1. Approving: Minutes from January 21 Professional Relations Committee Meeting**
- 2. Reviewing: Timeline for Our Review of Nominations for Outstanding Faculty Awards**
  - a. The traditional timeline for the Professional Relations Committee’s review of the nominations for the Outstanding Faculty Awards has been:
    - i. November: Nominations for Outstanding Faculty Awards close at end of month; committee finalizes timeline for review of nominations
    - iv. December: Committee members begin their review of nominations
    - v. January: Committee members discuss nominations and rank finalists for awards
    - vi. February: Committee members cast final votes for award winners, including one Most Outstanding Faculty, up to ten full-time Outstanding Faculty, and up to ten part-time Outstanding Faculty; chair presents information on award winners to president of the Faculty Senate
- 3. Discussing: Our Revised Rankings of the Nominees for the 2024-2025 Outstanding Faculty Awards**
  - a. Based on the top-ten lists that Professional Relations Committee members submitted by the extended deadline of January 28, Pamela Sepulveda first created an updated spreadsheet to tabulate our revised rankings of the nominees. Then Chad Greene and Michelle Kim created bar graphs showing the levels of support for the top nominees, which Greene emailed to the committee members on February 7.
  - b. A suggestion from the past co-chairs of the committee, Lydia Cosio and Clara Ross-Jones, is to see if there seems to be a natural “cut-off” point in the scores. Just because we can present one Most Outstanding Faculty Award, up to ten Outstanding Faculty Awards to full-time faculty, and up to ten Outstanding Faculty Awards to part-time faculty does not mean we have to give out the maximum number of twenty-one. And the bar graphs do seem to depict different tiers of support.
  - c. With that in mind, Greene is respectfully suggesting that – during our meeting today – we concentrate our discussion on the top eleven full-time nominees and the top ten part-time nominees, in terms of points.
- 4. Deciding: Winners of the Most Outstanding Faculty Award, the Full-Time Outstanding Faculty Awards, and the Part-Time Outstanding Faculty Awards**
  - a. As detailed in the traditional timeline above, this is the meeting when the committee is scheduled to selected the award winners – including one Most Outstanding Faculty, up to ten full-time Outstanding Faculty, and up to ten part-time Outstanding Faculty. After our discussion of our revised rankings today, who will our 2024-2025 Outstanding Faculty Award winners be?
- 5. Soliciting: Items from the Floor**

**Our Next Meeting:** 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 18, 2025