

## **SENATE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS**

### **Agenda**

**11 a.m., Tuesday, April 15, 2025**

**Zoom**

#### **1. Approving: Minutes from March 18 Professional Relations Committee Meetings**

#### **2. Sharing: Details About the Outstanding Faculty Awards Ceremony**

- a.** With the assistance of Monica Acuña and Monique Valencia, we have booked the Student Center for our Outstanding Faculty Awards ceremony, which will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, April 24. Acuña also booked Culinary Arts to provide food and drinks for the event and arranged for the linens for the tables. (Our Most Outstanding Faculty Award winner, Chef Michael Pierini, is creating a special menu for the event.) The president of Cerritos College, Jose Fierro, and the president of our Faculty Senate, Terrance Mullins, have been invited to participate in the ceremony. Valencia has suggested that a few Professional Relations Committee members could help “break down” after the ceremony – collect items left on the tables, help put tables back on carts, etc.
- b.** The plaques and medals for our twenty Outstanding Faculty Award winners have been ordered.
- c.** Our fellow Professional Relations Committee member Sarah Pirtle is working on the program for the ceremony, which will include photos and bios of the award winners. Chad Greene has helped edit the contents of the program for length, when necessary.
- d.** David Rincon in Media Services is creating the video to honor our Most Outstanding Faculty Award winner, Michael Pierini.
- e.** After consulting the “scripts” from the last couple Outstanding Faculty Awards ceremonies, Greene has put together a script for this year’s ceremony. He is inviting the committee to provide feedback on that draft script today.

#### **3. Encouraging: All Committee Members to Complete the Shared Governance Self-Evaluation Survey by May 23**

- a.** The college is asking all of us who serve on shared governance committees – such as our Professional Relations Committee – to complete an annual self-evaluation survey by Friday, May 23.
- b.** One of the questions we will be asked when we take the survey is whether we accomplished our set goal(s) for this year. As a reminder, at our committee meeting in September, we voted to set one primary goal for the 2024-2025 academic year: “To recognize and reward faculty excellence at Cerritos College through the presentation of the Outstanding Faculty Awards at a ceremony at the end of spring semester.” Thanks to all our respective contributions to our committee's work this year, we are on track to do just that at our Outstanding Faculty Awards ceremony next Thursday (April 24).
- c.** You will also find the link in an email Greene sent to all the committee members on April 14.

#### **4. Announcing: There Will Likely Be an Opening for a New Chair of the Committee in the Fall**

**a.** It looks like this will be Greene's last year serving as the chair of the Professional Relations Committee. He is running unopposed for a position — communications chair — on the Executive Board of the Cerritos College Faculty Federation, and the Public Executive Board meetings are at the exact same time as the Professional Relations Committee meetings: 11 a.m. on the third Tuesday of the month.

**b.** According to the Shared Governance Handbook, the chair of the Professional Relations Committee serves a two-year term that ends on June 30. This is Greene's second year as chair, and he will be happy to complete his term – through the end of June.

**c.** Greene is letting the rest of the committee know today that the chair position will most likely be available, to see if any of them are interested in taking it on.

## **5. Soliciting: Items from the Floor**

**Our Next Meeting:** 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2025? Or on Tuesday, August 19, 2025?