

## **SENATE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS**

### **Agenda**

**11 a.m., Tuesday, March 25, 2025**

**Zoom**

#### **1. Approving: Minutes from February 25 Professional Relations Committee Meeting**

#### **2. Updating: Notifications of Winners of 2024-2025 Outstanding Faculty Awards**

**a.** After the Professional Development Committee's meeting on February 25, chair Chad Greene presented the information on the 2024-2025 Outstanding Faculty Award winners to Faculty Senate President Terrance Mullins.

**b.** Mullins notified all twenty winners of Outstanding Faculty Awards by the end of the week before spring break.

**c.** During the week of spring break, Greene asked the winners to write brief bios and their deans to write blurbs about them to be included in the program for the awards ceremony on April 24.

#### **3. Discussing: One of Our Winners Has Declined His Award; Should We Select a Replacement?**

**a.** After Steven Hirohama was notified that he had been selected as a winner of an Outstanding Faculty Award, he emailed Mullins and Greene to "respectfully decline." Hirohama asked that the committee please consider giving it to another faculty member, instead.

**b.** At this stage, would the committee like to consider presenting its twentieth Outstanding Faculty Award to another full-time faculty member? (There were two additional full-time faculty members we had discussed as potential winners – neither of whom is a member of our committee.) Or would we prefer to stick with our remaining nineteen award winners for 2024-2025?

#### **4. 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 has also booked Culinary Arts to provide food and drinks for the event and arranged for the linens for the tables. Acuña and Valencia have suggested that Professional Relations Committee members could help set up before the ceremony.

**b.** Greene has shared the names of the twenty award winners with Acuña and Valencia. They are taking care of ordering their plaques and medals as well as arranging for a check from the Cerritos College Foundation for our Most Outstanding Faculty Award winner, Michael Pierini.

**c.** Our fellow Professional Relations Committee member Sarah Pirtle will be creating the program for the ceremony. Greene has asked for the award winners to send their brief bios and for their deans to send their blurbs by the end of the week of March 24. Pirtle will be working with the winners to arrange for photos of them to be included in the program.

**d.** David Rincon will be creating the video to honor our Most Outstanding Faculty Award winner, Michael Pierini.

**5. Asking: For Suggestions About the Ceremony**

**a.** Greene is inviting the members of the committee to share any suggestions that they have about the Outstanding Faculty Awards ceremony, as we have more than a month left to plan for it.

**b.** Greene is proposing to put together a draft of the “script” for the Outstanding Faculty Awards for the committee members to review at our meeting on Tuesday, April 15.

**6. Soliciting: Items from the Floor**

**Our Next Meeting:** 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 15, 2025