

# **Forming a Faculty Awards Committee (Draft)**

## **Background**

In Spring 2020 an adhoc committee was formed to examine the process used for determining faculty awards.

As part of its final report, the committee recommended creating a Faculty Award Committee:

Create a Faculty Awards Committee of 8 through each dean's recommendation with faculty representation that would rotate among the various departments/programs within the college, as recommended by the department heads and dean.

Recommended: 2 faculty per college on a rotating basis. One faculty serves 2 years and 'rolls off' with the second faculty member moving to a second year and 'roll off'. Chair elected each spring for the next year's committee:

2/CHEPS 2/RCOB 2/Library 2/CECS 2/CAS

The Faculty Senate must now decide if it would like this committee to be a Faculty Senate Committee. If so, the Senate Bylaws must be updated to include this committee.

## **Possible Bylaw Language**

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee has drafted several different ways the bylaws could be modified to create the Faculty Awards Committee and would like feedback on these options before presenting a formal proposal at the April 2021 Senate meeting. Below are several options to get the conversation started – other ideas are welcome.

### **Ad Hoc Committee Version (deans recommended membership)**

**Responsibilities:** The committee is responsible for selecting university-level faculty award recipients from a list of finalists supplied by the colleges.

**Composition:** 2 faculty members from each academic college and the library. Each faculty member serves a two-year term, with the terms staggered. Members are appointed by each college dean. Each spring the committee selects, from within its membership, the committee chair for the next year. **Ex officio:** Provost designee.

**Alternative Version (faculty volunteer membership)**

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**Other Suggestions?**