



## **FACULTY SENATE STUDENT AND HONORS COMMITTEE**

### **I. Committee Membership**

Donald Sparks, Plant and Soil Sciences, CHAIR

Michael Gilbert, Student Life

Linda Gottfredson, School of Education, Advisor to Committee

Jennifer Lambe, Communications

Fabrice Veron, Marine Studies

Shelly Provost-Craig, Health Sciences

Veronica Deangelo, Undergraduate Student

William Bryant, Undergraduate Student

Chelsea Haughn, Materials Science, Graduate Student

Terry Harvey, Computer and Information Sciences

Amanda Jansen, School of Education

Hemant Kher, Business Administration

### **II. Excellence in Teaching and Advising Awards**

A number of changes were made to the nominations website to improve the submission process. E-mail calls for nominations were sent out in October and at the end of the first week of Spring Semester. The committee discussed other means of increasing the number of nominations submitted next year.

An historical count of nominations for the Excellence in Advising and Teaching Awards is given below:

	Nominations	Nominees	Nominators
2008-2009	643	329	617
2009-2010	490	282	475
2010-2011	381	239	369
2011-2012	326	207	316

The following recipients were selected for the 2011-2102 Academic Year

### **Faculty Advising Awards**

Committee selected four faculty for this award

Vicki Cassman, Art Conservation  
Lindsay Hoffman, Communications  
America Martinez, Foreign Languages and Literature  
Ali Poorani, Hotel and Restaurant Management

### **Faculty Teaching Award**

Committee selected three faculty for this award

James Atlas, Computer and Information Sciences  
Steven Mortenson, Communications  
Matthew Weinert, Political Science and International Relations

### **Graduate Teaching Assistants**

Committee selected three students for the award.

Luke Ayers, Psychology  
Brett Remkus, Political Science and International Relations  
Inci Ruzybayev, Physics and Astronomy

### **III. Francis Alison Faculty Award**

The Committee received five nominations for the Francis Alison Faculty Award. Joel Best, Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice, was selected as the 2012 recipient.

### **IV. Meeting Dates in 2011-2012**

Sept. 9, 8:45-10 am  
Oct. 7, 8:45-10 am  
Nov. 4, 8:45-10 am  
Dec. 9, 8:45-10 am  
Jan. 6, 8:45-10 am

Feb. 10, 8:45-10 am  
Mar. 9, 8:30-10 am  
Mar. 16, 8:30-10 am  
Apr. 13, 8:30-10 am  
May 4, 8:45-10 am

All meetings were held in 130 Hullihen Hall

## **FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON FACULTY WELFARE AND PRIVILEGES**

Prepared by: Evelyn Hayes, Chairperson

The Faculty Welfare and Privileges Committee met four times and focused on review of proposals of new policy and policy revision. We gave careful attention to discussion and analysis centered on iterations of the “faculty suspension” policy. The Committee sought input from all stakeholders related to the policy and participated in an Open Hearing and meeting with General Counsel . Multiple drafts resulted in the current policy under consideration, *Emergency Involuntary Leave of Absence With Pay*.

Currently there is no policy and this is a problem. Absent a policy, the faculty has no basis of appeal; thus, a policy is needed to protect the faculty.

The Committee also considered and approved revisions to the current termination and complaint document of the Faculty Welfare and Privileges Committee as well as a revision to membership of the committee.

*Immediate Future: Both Policies (1)Emergency Involuntary Leave of Absence With Pay and (2) Composition and Termination and Complaint Procedures will be on the agenda for the May Faculty Senate Meeting. It is anticipated there will be a policy passed by the end of the semester so that faculty will be protected.*

## **FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

April 12, 2012

From: *University Faculty Senate Committee on Diversity and Affirmative Action*  
Prepared by: *Shangyou Scott Zhang, Chairperson*

Subject: Annual University Senate Standing Committee Report

The committee met only once in November 11, 2011. A recommendation to the Senate on adopting a uniform or two questions in the course evaluation at UD, concerning diversity, is discussed. A recommendation is made by the committee to the Senate Executive Committee, to be considered in future Senate resolution.

## **FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC APPEALS**

Gary Allison, Chair

Our committee did not meet face to face this past year, but we did an email exchange regarding the length of time a student has to file the grievance - we changed it from 30 days to 15 and we also considered and approved language concerning the burden of proof.

We currently have one appeal pending.

## **FACULTY SENATE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE**

May 4, 2012

TO: University of Delaware Faculty Senate

FROM: Mark S. Parcels, Ph.D.  
Chair, Faculty Senate Committee on Student Life

### **RE: Committee on Student Life Report**

The Faculty Senate Committee on Student Life met this academic year (2011-2012) a total of (5) times to review and discuss Undergraduate Residence Hall Programs, New Residence Life Programs and to evaluate the results of the residence life program plan. This year our committee:

- \* Approved both FY 2012 – 2013 First Year and Upper Class Residence Hall Program Plans;
- \* Reviewed Program Plan Surveys and forwarded commendations to Residence Life;
- \* Approved and Forwarded FY 2012 – 2013 First Year and Upper Class Program Plans for approval by the Faculty Senate; (Approved at April 2012 Faculty Senate Meeting)

\* Discussed initiatives dealing with smoking on campus, undergraduate health insurance, and other concerns for student safety.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark S. Parcels, Ph.D.

*Chair, Faculty Senate Committee on Student Life*

*Professor, Molecular Virology*

*Department of Animal and Food Sciences*

*and Department of Biological Sciences*

*University of Delaware*