Committee on Faculty Research Lecture Award

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<th>Total Meetings: 1</th>
<th>Meeting frequency: Typically one or two meetings a year.</th>
<th>Average hours of committee work each week: Approximately 1</th>
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<th>Total number of nomination packets reviewed: Confidential.</th>
<th>No nominations were deferred from the previous year.</th>
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Listing of bylaw changes proposed: None.

Listing of committee policies established or revised: None.

Issues considered by the committee: The criteria to be used when reviewing nominations for the Faculty Research Lecture Award and the questions to be kept in mind when selecting the 2011 recipient of the award.

Recommended procedural or policy changes for the coming year: None.

Committee’s narrative:

The charge of this Committee is to nominate for election by the Representative Assembly a member of the faculty or staff at UC Davis who has established a distinguished record in research, for the purpose of delivering a lecture on a topic of their choice. Over the course of the 2010-11 academic year, this charge was fulfilled. The Call for Nominations was updated, and the Call was distributed electronically on October 13, 2010.

Nomination packets were received and reviewed by the committee. The criteria used during the consideration of the nominations, the relative and relevant merits of each nomination and the questions to be kept in mind during deliberations were captured in the minutes of the committee’s January 13, 2011, meeting.

Distinguished Professor Margaret Ferguson, of the English Department, was selected and recommended as the 2011 Faculty Research Lecture Award recipient. On February 24, 2011, the Representative Assembly approved the committee’s selection and recommendation by unanimous vote. Distinguished Professor Ferguson was honored on May 11, 2011, at a combined Academic Senate and Academic Federation awards event. On May 27, 2011, she delivered a lecture entitled “Missing the Maidenhead: Cultural Debates About the Hymen.”
At the combined awards event, Distinguished Professor Ferguson was presented with an honorarium, a certificate mounted in a plaque and a medallion. The English Department hosted the lecture and a reception that followed the lecture.

Respectfully submitted,

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