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UMM USA/United Staff Association 2001-2 and 2002-3 Committee Reports
Submitted to the UMM Digital Well by Rebecca Webb via Naomi Skulan
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2001-02

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE (adjunct)

Met on February 20, 2002, the agenda item was the Briggs Library Policy regarding faculty carrels and magazine/book subscriptions. The committee met again on March 22, 2002, the agenda item was a request by Roger Boleman for a campus technology plan. The next meeting is April 12, 2002, discussion will continue on the campus technology plan. Submitted by Karen Van Horn

FUNCTIONS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE (adjunct)

The Functions and Awards Committee reviews nominations for awards of special merit and scholarship. Also, this committee will help to develop and recommend awards. We work in conjunction with the Office of the Chancellor and assist with the development, planning and execution of academic and awards ceremonies.

The committee is Chaired by Janet Ahern, and members include Bill Hunt-Faculty, Roxana Costinescu-Faculty, Seung-Ho Joo-Faculty, Tim Lieser-Student, Dana Madden-Student, Becca Hosker-Student, and Jane Kill-USA. Maggie Larson works Ex Officio to plan events.

There were three subgroups within this committee:

- Commencement
- Faculty/Staff Recognition Dinner
- Honors and Awards Ceremony

I chaired the Faculty/Staff Recognition Dinner and worked with Maggie Larson to set it up. In reality, Maggie did it and I assisted when she needed it. The awards for Scholar of the College were selected from nominations and all the committee attended the March Campus Assembly to defend the awards. The Commencement speaker was chosen by Sam Schuman, but the committee surveyed the Junior class for their input for the next graduation in 2003. Other award recipients were selected by this committee: Mary Martelle Memorial Award, both student and staff; Alumni Association Teaching Award; Distinguished Research Award; and the Chancellor's Award. Also, the Mace Bearer and Marshall of the Commencement exercises is chosen by this committee. The committee helps with organizing these functions for the college. Many meetings (at the La Fave House which is a very nice facility), and a very interesting committee to serve on. Also, very important that a USA representative is present and a voting member of this committee. Submitted by Jane Kill

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE (adjunct)

The International Programs Committee supports the work of the Center for International Programs and Study Abroad Office as well as promotes and supports all campus venues that provide exposure to a variety of cultures and countries. The IPC committee is divided into three

subcommittees: Grants, Speakers and Events, and Study Abroad. I have been on the Grants subcommittee for the past two academic years and served as chair the past year. Fellow members included Nate Riveness '02 and Stacey Parker Aronson, professor of Spanish. There should have been one more faculty member on our subcommittee but our IPC membership was lacking in faculty members. Hopefully this situation has been resolved for next year.

A percentage of IPC's budget is reserved for grants that are awarded to faculty members to "internationalize" curriculum and/or to "start up" new programs that expose students to different cultures and perspectives. The total amount awarded is usually between \$6000 and \$7,500. The grants subcommittee reviews applications and awards grants. Last year we received 10 applications. The results follow:

Full Funding (\$1,500)

1. Keith Brugger (geology) Arctic Field Ecology and Geology
2. Anna Dronzek (history) Cross-Cultural Contacts in the Medieval World
3. Margaret Kuchenreuther (biology) Arctic Field Ecology and Geology

Partial Funding

1. Cyrus Bina (Econ/Mgmt) Transnational Enterprise
2. Debra Blake (English) Chicana/o Literature in Spain
3. Seung-Ho Joo (Pol Sci) Russian Political and Foreign Policy
4. Matt Senior (French) Enhancement of Foreign Language Film Collection

I will again be serving on the IPC committee for my final year in 2002-2003. If asked, I will again agree to be on the Grants subcommittee. Next year our responsibilities will include administrating the faculty grant dollars received through the all-University Bush Foundation Grant. Submitted by Judy Korn

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (USA)

The USA Scholarship Committee, consisting of Rick Busch, Rose Murphy, Lynn Schulz, and Bonnie Tipcke, reviewed the scholarship criteria and solicited applications. We received three excellent applications and, following lengthy deliberations, Jon Huebner was chosen as the 2001-02 USA scholarship recipient. Jon is the spouse of Heather Agesen-Huebner who works in the Center for Small Towns. Submitted by Bonnie Tipcke.

2002-03

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

From: Judy Korn, committee member

Date: 4-29-03

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A percentage of IPC's budget is reserved for grants that are awarded to faculty members to "internationalize" curriculum and/or to "start up" new

programs that expose students to different cultures and perspectives. The grants subcommittee reviews applications and awards small grants. This year the following grants were awarded:

1. Wendel Cox (history): Indigenous People in World History \$1,500
2. Sarah Buchanan (French): Immigrant Imaginary: Literature and Films of Immigrants in France \$1,500
3. Stacey Parker Aronson (Spanish): audio and video cassettes to accompany Travessia: A Portuguese Language Textbook Program \$565.00

In addition to the IPC small grants, the subcommittee was also responsible for awarding Emersion grants through funds provided by an all-University of Minnesota grant received from the Bush Foundation. The purpose of this new grant program is to encourage and to help faculty members develop international study experiences emerging from our on-campus curricular offerings. The following received 2003 Emersion grants:

1. Bert Ahern (history): Indigenes and Colonizers in the US and New Zealand: \$2,500.
2. Stacey Aronson (Spanish): Cervantes' and Zayas' Spain \$2,000
3. Keith Brugger (geology): Design and Development of Field Protocols for Student Directed, International Glaciological Research \$2,000
4. Ray Schultz (theatre): International Theatre Production: Performing at the International Fringe Festival in Scotland \$2,000.