

Faculty Development Committee

Meeting Date: 10/2/18

Present: Flip Phillips (chair), Erica Bastress-Dukehart, Sarah Day-O'Connell, Viviana Rangil, Mary Hoehn (invited guest)

Not Present: Crystal Moore (non-voting)

Minutes: Sarah Day-O'Connell

1. Faculty Development Committee Handbook for 2018-2019
 - Agreed to all changes and edits circulated by Flip prior to today's meeting.
 - Additional change: page ten, line 3: the committee **may** (not the committee will)
2. Proposal for re-envisioning the Ciancio award, circulated by Erica prior to today's meeting.
 - Agreed to minor changes regarding
 - invitees to the dinner
 - uses of the \$2500 award
 - Erica immediately circulated a revised version via email; it is appended below.
3. Distinguished Faculty Service Award
 - Initial review (with Erica recused). Flip will contact all four nominees and invite them to submit their CVs for consideration.
4. Meeting Schedule
 - International Faculty Development Seminar Grant initial review, scheduled for October 9, will need to be postponed, as not all application links are up to date. Flip will follow up with Cori Filson.

Draft Proposal to Faculty Development Committee RE:
The Ralph A. Ciancio Award for Excellence in Teaching

Currently the Ciancio Award for Excellence in Teaching is awarded to a faculty member who has been nominated by her/his faculty peers. The award is announced by the Chair of FDC at the penultimate or final faculty meeting of the spring semester, the very same meeting when we celebrate faculty retirements, and/or when we still have substantial business to do. Past Ciancio Award winners feel as if the significance of the award is lost at these meetings. The last two years are perfect examples: in 2017 we had the final discussion and vote for the new general education curriculum. In 2018 we had the final discussion and vote for the reconfiguration of CAPT.

Proposal: We would like to propose that the Chair of FDC announce the winner of the Ciancio Award at a faculty meeting earlier in the spring semester. Further, we would like to propose that the President's office support a dinner for past Ciancio Award winners and their guests, including department colleagues.

Proposal: We would also like to propose that the College support a \$2500.00 award to the department of the Ciancio Award winner to be used at the discretion of the department for course development, pedagogy workshops, conferences on innovative teaching technologies, and discussions about teaching, among other possibilities. This financial incentive would broaden interest in nominations for the Ciancio Award, widen its impact among faculty, and bring departments together to celebrate the success of one of their colleagues.

Respectfully submitted
Faculty Development Committee