

Academic Awards Committee Minutes
Monday, March 19, 2007 12:30 p.m.
Alumni Conference Room, Akeley Hall

Members present: Scott Eldredge, Martin Maresch, Jane Penman, Kate Rounsley, Sue Schatz, Susan Strayer, Derek Strouphauer, and Jerry Updegraff.

Susan Strayer moved to approve the meeting agenda for March 19th, 2007. Jane Penman seconded the motion. The agenda was approved by committee majority.

Jerry Updegraff updated the committee as to Jerry Robinson's participation in this year's Awards ceremony. Martin Maresch will escort him to the brunch and the ceremony. Jerry will escort the speaker who will share brunch with Jerry Robinson. Issues such as parking and access to the buildings for Jerry Robinson were discussed and resolved.

The issue of an honorarium for the speaker was discussed. No monetary value was offered to her according to President Miller's secretary; however, Jerry Updegraff will discuss it with President Miller.

The matter of the Student's Choice Award was discussed. Past awards have included faculty members and/or administrative staff. Derek Strouphauer assured the committee that the SCC will have the awardees soon. The matter of the Woman of Distinction faculty award was also brought up by Susan Strayer. She will check with Erin Kennedy as to the status of this award. Presenters for this award were discussed as either Dr. Jacqueline Whitling or President Miller.

Invitations will be extended to Mark Cloud as APSCUF President and Jerry Updegraff will act on Ron Jury's behalf for the Foundation. Scott Eldredge requested and received access to the number of the speaker. Kate informed the committee that the letters to award students from responding departments have been mailed as of March 19th, 2007. The remaining departments have been notified.

The ceremonial program was discussed. The distribution of awards will begin according to students with the highest grade point average, followed by an alphabetical listing of the remaining awards' students. Multiple awards will be given during a single procession of the student. Linda Koch will announce the award and the winner. President Miller will shake the students' hands. The president will also announce the speaker. Susan Strayer will set up a meeting with President Miller, Vice President Linda Koch, and Provost Roger Johnson for the first week of April to discuss their roles during the ceremony. All members present express their availability for the April 15th brunch and ceremony commencing at 9:00 am.

Jerry Updegraff proposed next year's ceremony to be held at the new Alumni center on April 13th, 2008 - a week prior to its dedication. Due to an early Easter, there will be no scheduling conflict. Susan Strayer expressed the need for a September awards meeting

next year to coordinate this event with the dedication and with the Day of Scholarship event.

Wednesday April 11th, 2007 at 12:30 was chosen as the date and time for the next meeting. It will be held at the Alumni Center in the Alumni Room. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin J. Maresch, Temporary Secretary