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To: Connie Foster, Chancellor
116 North Hall
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From: David Rainville, Chair
Faculty Senate
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2008/2009/34

At the November 19, 2008 meeting of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty senate, motion 2008-2009/34 was passed. This motion is forwarded for your action.

A motion from the Advising Committee to accept the clarification and update selection of UWRF Academic Advisor of the Year award (Motion 98-99/39) as proposed by the Advising committee.

1. Purpose and Eligibility

The purpose of the UWRF Academic Advisor of the Year award is to recognize excellence in the academic advising of undergraduate students. Eligible for the award are full-time, tenure-track faculty and professional staff with a minimum of four years of academic advising at UWRF

2. Nomination Procedure

Eligible nominators include all current students and alumni of UWRF.

An on-line nomination form will be made available through the University web site, and advertised electronically to current students and alumni. Seniors, three, and five year alumni will receive solicitations via postcard along with their Distinguished Teacher Award nominating materials.

3. Selection Procedure

The Advising Committee will collect the nominations. The committee's selection will not solely be based on the number of nominations received but will also take into account students' and alumni comments in order to address disparity in advising loads in different departments.

4. Recommendation to the Chancellor

The committee's annual recommendation to the chancellor will consist of a single academic advisor's name.

5. Award Presentation

Of the nominations, the only name to be announced will be the advisor selected for the award. The award presentation will be made at the Chancellor’s Award Reception. It is recommended that a monetary prize accompany the award. An advisor may receive the award only once.

6. Improvement of Academic Advising

The Advising Committee will evaluate the nominations to gain insight on what students and alumni consider to be criteria for outstanding academic advising. These insights will inform development of faculty and student outcomes of advising, tools for their assessment, and plans for their achievement.

The following is the appearance of the on-line form.

NOMINATION FORM

Academic Advisor’s full name:

Academic Advisor’s department or program:

Nominated by:

Nominator’s university status: alumni, senior, junior, sophomore, freshman.

Nominator’s major:

For each statement please indicate whether you;

Strongly Agree=5, are neutral=3, or Strongly Disagree=1

| My Academic Advisor... | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
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| is/was a source of accurate information regarding academic requirements within my academic program. | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| is/was knowledgeable of institutional regulations, policies and procedures. | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| is/was aware of and makes/made appropriate referrals to career, health, academic success, or other services when I needed them. | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| is/was available and accessible and communicated in a timely manner | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| keeps/kept track of my progress toward academic and career goals. | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| represents/represented UWRP’s core values of: Integrity, Academic Excellence, Inclusiveness, Community, and Continuous Improvement | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| has/had a helpful, caring attitude toward students | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

Please briefly explain why you feel this advisor should be recognized with this award.

1. How has this advisor met your academic advising needs?

2. Describe three qualities that make this advisor uniquely suited for award.

To complete your nomination, click on the SUBMIT NOMINATION button below.

 X Approved

 Disapproved

 Connie Foster
Connie Foster, Chancellor

 12-8-08
Date