

**Outstanding Faculty Awards Committee
October 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes**

The Outstanding Faculty Awards Committee met on **Monday, October 16 at 1:00 p.m.** virtually in Microsoft Teams.

Members Present: Dr. Bedelia Russell (Executive Officer), Dr. Curtis Armstrong, Dr. William Brookshear, Dr. Steve Sharp, Ms. Kathryn Rust, Dr. Paulina Bounds, Dr. Matt Langford, Ms. Claire Myers, Ms. Michele Niec, Mr. Jeb Maclennan, Ms. Lindsay Taylor, Mr. Braxton Westbrook (proxy for Ms. Kelsey Hewitt)

Members Absent: Dr. Tony Michael, Dr. James Baier, Dr. Bevin Butler, Ms. Mattea Trusty, Ms. Mary Clemons, Ms. Nora Terve, Mr. Jared Carnes

Summary of Proceedings:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of minutes from last committee meeting September 18, 2023
3. Discuss proposed policy changes feedback/comments prior to Academic Council
4. Other such matters

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.

Proceedings

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion Dr. Bedelia Russell

2nd Dr. Curtis Armstrong

Vote Carried

2. **Approval of minutes from last committee meeting September 18, 2023**

Motion. Dr. Bedelia Russell

2nd Dr. Curtis Armstrong

Vote Carried

3. **Discuss proposed policy changes feedback/comments prior to Academic Council**

Dr. Bedelia Russell stated that Dr. Curtis Armstrong and herself took all of the discussion and suggestions by the committee members over the past year's meetings, to Academic Council, requesting revisions to the Outstanding Faculty Awards Policy be made with the focus being to craft a policy that allows for award expansion, including an award for first year/early career faculty and adjunct faculty. Several suggestions were made such as determining the number of awards that would be given in each category before the call for nominations, and adding a statement of intent, indicating the various categories should be included near the start of the policy in order to set the context of the policy.

No voting

4. **Other Such Matters**

There were no such other matters.

No voting

Adjournment

Dr. Bedelia Russell MOVED approval APPROVED unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.