REGENTS AWARDS FOR FACULTY EXCELLENCE

A. Purpose

The Regents Awards for Faculty Excellence serve as the means by which the Board of Regents acknowledges and honors university faculty members. The number to be awarded shall be determined annually by the Board of Regents.

B. Criteria

1. Eligible individuals must be tenured, have been at UNI at least five years, and be non-administrators at the time of consideration. Eligibility also includes individuals who are employed at least half-time, those on leave of absence during consideration, or individuals who are in their final year of employment prior to retirement. An individual may receive the Regents Award for Faculty Excellence only once; however, recipients are not precluded from consideration for university awards.

2. Award recipients shall be individuals who have been deemed to have a sustained record of excellence across the spectrum of faculty endeavors (teaching, scholarship, and service) or such outstanding accomplishments in one or more of the areas as to justify their selection.

C. Composition of the Awards Committee

1. The Awards Committee shall consist of the following members:
   - Representative of the Office of Academic Affairs (non-voting)
   - Collegiate Dean appointed on a rotational basis from the alphabetical listing of the colleges
   - Chair of Council of Department Heads
   - Member of the Graduate Council
   - Member of the Faculty Senate
   - Chair of the University Faculty

2. The Awards Committee shall be responsible for the solicitation of nominations, the review of submitted materials and the recommendation to the University Senate of faculty members to receive awards.

D. Procedures

1. The Awards Committee shall be convened by the Chair of the Faculty no later than October 1.

2. Recipients of the university awards for outstanding teaching, service and research (McKay Award) from the previous year will automatically be considered for nomination.

3. The Committee shall request nominations from each college senate. A college senate may forward the number of nominees up to the Faculty Senate representation of that college. All college senate nominations must be received by October 25.

4. The Awards Committee shall request the following from each nominee:
   a. Curriculum Vitae
   b. Reference list which includes administrators, students, colleagues, and fellow scholars
   c. Statement of the individual's perception of the professorial role.
d. Other materials as deemed appropriate/necessary may be solicited by the selection committee.

5. After review of the materials, the Awards Committee will identify those individuals to receive awards. The list will be forwarded to the Faculty Senate no later than December 15.

6. The Faculty Senate shall receive and endorse the Awards Committee recommendations and forward the names of the selected candidates to the Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs who will notify both the recipients and the Board of Regents.

7. The selected candidates will then be affirmed by the Board of Regents.

8. Names of nominees and recipients of past years will be maintained in the Office of Academic Affairs.