



Academic Notes

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SPECIAL NOTICES

FACULTY ATTENDANCE FORM **FOR FALL COMMENCEMENT**

Attached to the back of this issue is a Faculty Attendance Form concerning Fall Commencement. All faculty members need to fill out this form and make sure that it is delivered to:

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT
FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
PARSONS HALL, ROOM 208

by the end of the business on **Friday, December 7, 2001.**

ACADEMIC APPAREL RENTAL FORM

Faculty members needing to rent academic apparel for Fall 2001 Commencement, need to fill out the Academic Apparel Rental Form attached to the back of this issue and send it to:

KARI HIATT
ISU BOOKSTORE

Rental forms received now will automatically be charged a late fee of \$5.00.

THEODORE DREISER DISTINGUISHED **RESEARCH/ CREATIVITY AWARDS**

The Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award recognizes work substantially completed at Indiana State University by regular, full-time members of the university faculty who have made outstanding contributions to their disciplines. Work completed to satisfy advanced degree requirements is not eligible for consideration. As many as two awards, consisting of a monetary award and a plaque, may be given each year. Faculty members who have previously received the award are ineligible for consideration for a four-year period. Faculty are encouraged to nominate eligible colleagues. Self-nominations will also be accepted. **Nominations may be in letter or memo format and should be**

returned to the School of Graduate Studies, Erickson Hall, room 114, 812- 237-3111, D-Bonsall@indstate.edu. Nominations are due December 15, 2001.

SPECIAL NOTICES: continued

2002 CALEB MILLS DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARDS

Nominations for the 2002 Caleb Mills Teaching Awards are now being solicited. A maximum of four awards will be presented during the spring commencement ceremony.

To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be a full-time tenured faculty member who is teaching a minimum of 16 semester hours or 24 contact hours at ISU during the preceding summer, fall, and spring semesters of the current academic year.

Full-time faculty, students, alumni, or administrators may submit nominations. Submissions must include a completed Nomination Form, and a statement on why you believe this nominee should be selected as one of ISU's best teachers, which includes specific examples and/or documents regarding the faculty member's qualities.

Faculty members are encouraged to nominate eligible colleagues. Nomination Forms, which are a 3 x 5 printed card, are available in the academic departments and the deans' offices. Additional nomination cards can be obtained in the Center for Teaching and Learning or by calling extension 8363.

The nomination deadline is Saturday, December 15, 2001.
Nominations should be submitted to the Center for Teaching and Learning.

2002 FACULTY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Nominations for the 2002 Faculty Distinguished Service Awards are now being solicited. A maximum of two awards will be presented during the spring commencement ceremony in May.

To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be a tenured faculty member who has demonstrated service while at Indiana State University in the form of: membership in faculty government at the college/school or University level; membership on committees within the University; service to student organizations; service to professional organizations; and service to community groups.

Full-time ISU faculty, students, alumni, administrators, and citizens of the Wabash Valley may submit nominations. Submissions must include a completed Nomination Form, a letter or statement on why you believe this nominee should be the recipient of a Faculty Distinguished Service Award and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three to five individuals who can testify to the nominee's service.

Nomination Forms, which are a 3 x 5 printed card, are available in the academic department offices and the deans' offices. Additional nomination cards are available in the Center for Teaching and Learning or by calling extension 8363.

The nomination deadline is Saturday, December 15, 2001.

Nominations should be submitted to the Center for Teaching and Learning.

ACADEMIC NOTES PUBLICATION SCHEDULE
FOR SPRING 2002

Below is the circulation schedule for the hard copy of *Academic Notes* through May 6, 2001. An asterisk (*) indicates a curricular issue. **All submissions for inclusion in *Academic Notes* are due in the Office of Academic Affairs no later than 10:00 a.m. on the Wednesday^a prior to the distribution of *Academic Notes* on the following Monday, along with an E-Mail or a diskette with the same information in Microsoft Word format. Failure to submit a diskette containing this information will delay publication. An electronic version of *Academic Notes* is available using Acrobat Reader via the ISU Web Page at – <http://web.indstate.edu/acadnotes/> –.**

<u>Deadline for Items</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
January 9*	January 14*
January 16	January 22 ^a
January 23*	January 28*
January 30	February 4
February 6*	February 11*
February 13	February 18
February 20*	February 25*
February 27	March 4
March 13*	March 18*
March 20	March 25
March 27*	April 1*
April 3	April 8
April 10*	April 15*
April 17	April 22
April 24*	April 29*
May 1	May 6

^a Due to holiday's, the dates for submission and/or publication have been moved up or back a day.

* *Please call Tiffany Trass at extension 3662 with any questions pertaining to the submission of information on a diskette or through e-mail.*

FACULTY GOVERNMENT

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 27, 2001

Provost Pontius reported that he expects reports soon from special committees considering summer school issues and the status of chairs. He discussed budget issues, a request from SGA for advance availability of course syllabi, the upcoming search for a Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, the status of undergraduate certificate programs, progress regarding Student Learning outcomes, a complimentary report from the Lilly Foundation, and a need for clear definition of "program" and "department."

Chair Cerny noted that grievance pool training would be conducted 12/6, that budget discussions had occurred at the recent deans' council meeting, and that he was gratified to learn full budget information will be shared with the University community. He addressed the SGA proposal to make advance course descriptions available, indicating that one goal is to reduce the number of drops and adds at the beginning of terms.

He also recognized the naming of Mary Johnson of the T.H. Center for Medical Education as Indiana Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, in collaboration with the Carnegie Foundation.

The Committee discussed:

1) Desirability of performance-based pay with limited funds

Members noted that the Senate, in prior years, had approved merit pay only after a cost-of-living increment, that the system involved laborious, rigorous, and time-consuming evaluation, that the budget situation is expected to provide too little money to permit meaningful awards, and that, if pursued under current conditions, the process is likely to have a negative impact on morale. The provost said he would like to distinguish between "review" and "pay," noting that "review" should be on-going.

2) Compression adjustments

The provost reported that, in the five-year Academic Affairs budget plan, \$100K + fringe benefits had been designated for compression adjustments in each of the next two years. The decision to continue funding compression, however, depends on the availability of dollars in the developing budget. Priorities for distribution of available funds will be set in January.

The Committee approved:

- 1) Committee Nominees:
Awards: Caleb Mills, Theodore Dreiser, Distinguished Service
Faculty Status: Leaves, Promotions
- 2) Senate Eligibility of General Education Coordinator recommendation
- 3) Search Committee members: VP Business and Finance
and University Treasurer
- 4) Forwarding to Administrative Affairs Committee a suggestion to
institute a faculty survey which would be repeated at a
regular interval.

The Committee tabled (for clarification): Search Committee nominees for VP Student Affairs and Dean of Students.

The Committee went into executive session to discuss grievances.

The Committee came out of executive session and voted to forward a grievance to FAC for a hearing.

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will meet at 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2001, in Hulman Memorial Student Union (HMSU), Room 227.

AGENDA

- I. Administrative Report
- II. Chair Report
- III. Fifteen Minute Open Discussion
- IV. Approval of the Minutes
- V. CAAC Recommendations: Special Education Major revision
- VI. FEBC Recommendations: Salary Adjustment System Assessment
/Revision
- VII. Standing Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business

FACULTY SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

CURRICULUM AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Curriculum and Academic Affairs Committee will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, December 3, 2001, in Family & Consumer Sciences, Room 110.

THESES, DISSERTATIONS, & RESEARCH PROJECTS

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

GEOGRAPHY, GEOLOGY, & ANTHROPOLOGY

Ms. Nancy Hoalst Pullen will defend her thesis, entitled *Urban Forest Dynamics: Compositional Trends and Spatial Patterns Over a Quarter Century*, at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 7, 2001 in the Science Building, Room 110. The members of her committee are Dr. Greg Bierly, Chairperson, Dr. Mark Cowell, Dr. Jay Gatrell, and Dr. Marion Jackson.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

COUNSELING

Ms. Carole Trone will defend her dissertation, entitled *The Effect of Normative Stepfamily Information on Level of Perceived Stepfamily Adjustment*, at 12:00 noon on Monday, December 10, 2001 in the School of Education. The members of her committee are Dr. Laurence Passmore, Chairperson, Dr. James Campbell, Dr. Reece Chaney, and Dr. Thomas Henderson.

EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY

Ms. Mary C. Boyd will defend her dissertation, entitled *Childhood Closed Head Injury and Memory Outcomes*, at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 5, 2001 in the 11th Floor School of Education Large Conference Room. The members of her committee are Dr. Michael Bahr, Chairperson, Dr. Dave Andrews, and Dr. Martha Simcox.