



MEETING MINUTES SEPT. 6, 2022

Zoom, 2-3 p.m.

Meeting called to order: 2:00 p.m.

In attendance: Tara Connolly (Chair), Erin Frock, Candace Garlock, Tommie Guy, Karla Henricksen, Jillian Kiefer, Sandra Martinez, Lori McDonald, Debi Pezzuto, Zachary Porter, Maria Sandra-Jimenez

Absent: Beth Humphrey, Viola Pellissier, Sidney Sullivan

Guest: Amber Anaya

Approve May 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Lori McDonald moved and Jillian Kiefer seconded to approve the May 3, 2022 Recognition and Activities Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion passed.

Distinguished Faculty Awards

Olga Katkova will be overseeing the awards and will need assistance. Tommie Guy shared how the process is laid out and noted Olga's organizational skills in creating timelines, email templates, and guided structure to the awards. There are two awards granted. One for teaching and one for service. Candace Garlock and Jillian Kiefer volunteered for the distinguished teaching award. Tommie Guy and Sandra Martinez volunteered for both teaching and service. Please send Tara Connolly or Olga Katkova an email if you are interested in joining.

Professional of the Month Awards

Erin Frock opened voting for the Professional of the Month Awards and she will continue to coordinate the awards. There are two candidates with strong nominations. The committee agreed to award for August and September with the two nominees received.

Basket assignments were also made for the Fall semester:

August – Jillian Kiefer

November – Karla Henricksen

September – Lori McDonald

December – Tommie Guy

October – Tara Connolly

Notes to nominees who didn't win will be sent, so they are aware they were nominated and as a way to extend goodwill on campus.

Candace Garlock showed the committee mugs that could be included in the baskets that were made in the Ceramics Studio at TMCC.

Career Champions

Sidney Sullivan is coordinating Career Champions. There were 23 individuals awarded this Fall. The next event will be during the Spring kick off week.

People, Pets, and Pumpkins

The committee discussed having a pumpkin decorating contest on campus or doing a People, Pets, and Pumpkins virtual contest. The in-person decorating contest would need a reservation in the Student Center and volunteers to run the contest and voting. The decorating contest in past years had many creative entries but also had scheduling issues with the Student Center, Nevada Day, and other events taking place at the same time. The committee opted to continue with the People, Pets, and Pumpkins virtually. Tommie will coordinate the online version. Candace Garlock suggested a mini pumpkin decorating contest that could be displayed in the art cases for next Fall. Planning could be done in the Spring for Fall 23.

Ideas for 2022-2023

November – The Gratitude Tree

December – Hand out candy at the Holiday Party

January - A Jenga Tournament and Ice Cream Social was suggested for Professional Development Days

February – Candy Grams

Tara asked the committee to think of additional ideas for in-person events.

Other Business

None

Adjourn: 3:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 4, 2022 at 2 p.m.