

**University System of Maryland
Board of Regents
Committee on Education Policy and Student Life
Minutes of the February 15, 2013 Closed Meeting**

The Committee on Education Policy and Student Life (EPSL) of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents met in closed session on Friday, February 15, 2013 in Room 767 of the Albin O. Kuh Library at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. The meeting was convened at 8:10 a.m.

Regents present were: Ms. Michaux Gonzales, Chair, Dr. Florestano, Mr. Hershkowitz, Mr. Kinkopf, Mr. Slater, Dr. Young, and Dr. Vance. Dr. Boughman, Ms. Doyle, and Mr. Faulk were also present.

Action Items

Honorary Degree Nominations

The Committee considered two out-of-cycle honorary degree nominations from the University of Maryland University College. The campus will make arrangements regarding the awarding of the honorary degrees to the two candidates within the next five years.

A motion was made that the Committee on Education Policy and Student Life recommend that the Board of Regents approve the request from UMUC to award two honorary Doctor of Public Service degrees. The motion was moved by Regent Vance, seconded by Regent Slater, and unanimously approved.

USM Regents Faculty Awards

Each year, the Board presents Regents' Faculty Awards to recognize distinguished performance by faculty members. The Board of Regents may present up to four awards in each of the following categories: Teaching, Mentoring, Public Service, and Scholarship/Research/Creative Activity, and up to one award in the Innovation category. The Board may also award a maximum of one award for Collaboration. Each institution is permitted up to one nominee per 200 (or part) eligible faculty members. Each institutional faculty nominating committee recommended nominees to the president of the institution who reviewed the nominations and supporting materials and forwarded recommendations to the Chancellor.

This year, eight institutions submitted 24 nominations, including one in the Innovation category. There were no nominations for Collaboration this year. The Regents' Faculty Awards Committee recommends honoring 17 individuals. Summaries of the backgrounds of prospective award recipients are attached.

A motion was made that the Committee on Education Policy and Student Life recommends that the Board of Regents approve the recommendation of the Regents' Faculty Awards Committee and present the awards to the 17 faculty members during its April 2013 meeting. The motion was moved by Regent Kinkopf, seconded by Regent Slater, and unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Regent Florestano moved to adjourn the closed session. Regent Hershkowitz seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by:
Regent Louise Michaux Gonzales