

MEMORANDUM

TO: President Edward T. Foote II

FROM: Dr. John Knoblock JK
Chairman, Faculty Senate

DATE: April 23, 1987

SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Legislation #87002(D) -
Resolution establishing Faculty Senate Awards for Outstanding
Contributions to Knowledge and Distinguished Service to the
University.

The Faculty Senate, at its meeting April 13, voted to approve Faculty Senate Legislation #87002(D)-Resolution establishing Faculty Senate Awards for Outstanding Contributions to Knowledge and Distinguished Service to the University. The text of the legislation is attached.

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

JK/b

Attachment

cc: Provost Luis Glaser

**Faculty Senate Action , #87002
Class D Legislation**

**FACULTY SENATE AWARD FOR
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO KNOWLEDGE**

On the occasion of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Faculty *Charter*, the Faculty Senate establishes an annual award for outstanding contributions to knowledge made by a member of the Faculty of the University of Miami.

The Senate will host a special meeting for all members of the faculty at which the award will be presented. The awardee will present a report on his research at this meeting. The meeting will be followed by a reception.

Members of the faculty will be invited annually to nominate colleagues for the award. A committee of five members will be established to select the awardee; after the fifth year of the award, the committee shall include the five previous recipients of the award. The Chair of the Faculty Senate and the Provost shall be *ex officio* members of the committee.

**FACULTY SENATE AWARD FOR
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

On the occasion of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Faculty Charter, the Faculty Senate establishes an annual award for distinguished service to the University of Miami made by a member of the University community.


The award will be presented at a fall meeting of the Senate, followed by a reception honoring the awardee.

Members of the faculty will be invited annually to nominate persons for this award. A committee of five persons shall be established to recommend persons to the Senate Council which shall select the awardee.

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #87002(D) -
Resolution establishing Faculty Senate Awards
for Outstanding Contributions to Knowledge and
Distinguished Service to the University.

RESPONSE BY THE PRESIDENT:

DATE: _____

APPROVED:  _____

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT OR PUBLISH: _____

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: _____

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: _____

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):

MINUTES

Faculty Senate Council

May 11, 1987

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:07.

The Chair distributed a suggested calendar of meetings for the Senate Council and Faculty Senate for the academic year 1987-88. The Council accepted the draft calendar with the change of the date of the first meeting from August 24 to August 31. Meetings of Council were set at 2:00 and of the Senate at 3:30. It was agreed that the December meeting would honor the Faculty Member selected for the annual award for Outstanding Scholarship and that the Distinguished Service award would be presented at the last meeting of the year.

The Council asked the Chair to schedule meetings with the President during the summer, fall and spring and to include these in the announcement of meetings. The Council asked the Chair to arrange a meeting of the Provost and the Council between June 11 and June 20.

The Council designated Kamal Yacoub as acting Vice Chairman and Eugene Clasby as second acting Vice Chairman.

The Council appointed a Committee on Committees consisting of the Chair, Linda Neider, William Awad, and Kamal Yacoub.

Distinguished The Council agreed on a procedure for determining the nominee for the Outstanding Scholarship award:

- 1) to appoint a committee of five persons to review nominees;
- 2) that the awardee of the previous year shall become a member until the committee consists of the awardees for the five previous years;
- 3) that the general faculty will be solicited for nominations;
- 4) that the committee shall review all nominations and make a ranked ordering of the top three nominations. (If the Council should have any reservations about the first ranked nominee, it shall meet with the committee to discuss the matter. Following that meeting the Council shall transmit to the Senate a recommendation of one name.);

and 5) that the Senate shall determine the awardee.

The Council directed the Chair to discuss with the administration creation of a suitable prize and medal for the award analogous to the Rosenstiel Award and to present plans for a suitable reception for the awardee.

The Senate Council agreed to appoint a committee of five members to review nominations for the Distinguished Service Award. The award will be opened

to all members of the University Community. It will require distinguished service beyond the normal requirements of the position or office held by the awardee.

The Council discussed at length the philosophy of Undergraduate General Education Requirements. The Council asked that the Deans of the graduate schools also be solicited for comments on the proposed requirements. The Council agree to devote its first two meetings to this matter and to devote the Senate meeting of September 28 solely to this topic.

The Chair reviewed certain problems in the administration of the Chair and Dean Evaluations. It was agreed to appoint a committee to examine the form. It was agreed that the next version of the form should include a brief statement explaining the purpose and use of the evaluation. The Chair was given authority to prepare such a statement. It was agreed that the time of the evaluation would be October. It was agreed that the numerical results of the evaluation would be given the Dean, but that they were not to be given to the faculty consulted. It was agreed that the conclusion or finding of the evaluation would be made available to the faculty, upon inquiry, following its transmission to the Dean.

Following extended discussion, it was agreed that the anonymity of the ballot would be preserved. It was agreed that the ballots would not be coded. It was agreed that provision for an optional signature on the ballot would be made and that the faculty would be invited to provide specific information concerning problems via the Council to the appropriate authority.

The Chair presented issues concerning the interpretation of the conclusions or findings of the evaluation. Following extended discussion, the Council agree to reaffirm the determination that there were three possible outcomes:

- 1) a majority for retention of the Chair or Dean;
- 2) a majority for replacement of the Chair or Dean; and
- 3) there was not a majority for retention of the Chair or Dean.

The Council specifically determined that a plurality was not a majority.

The Council then ruled by unanimous vote that the meaning of the term "inconsistent" with the opinions of the consulted faculty in regard to the *Charter* requirement of an explanation from the Dean was:

- 1) a decision to replace when a majority voted for retention;
- 2) a decision to reappoint when a majority voted to replace; and
- 3) a decision to reappoint when there was not a majority for retention.

The Council agreed that copies of the ballots of the evaluations of Deans could be provided the Provost with the restriction that only he was to see them.

The Senate Council went into executive session to hear a summary of the results of the evaluation this year, to hear a report from the Committee on Rank, Salary and Conditions of Employment and to discuss the recurrent problems concerning athletics at the University.