

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS COMMITTEE

Minutes

September 1, 2020 – Noon to 1pm
Teams Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Jon Kahl, Swapnil Trripathi, Xiangming Mu, Michelle Polfuss, and Sarah Riforgiate (Recorder)

- I. Call to Order at 12:01pm
- II. Self-introductions
- III. Approval of Minutes of the April 27, 2020 Meeting as distributed – Michelle/Jon at 12:09pm
- IV. Review Nominations and Process for Judging the Awards:
 - A. The committee discussed challenges in evaluating the Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award with Covid-19 conditions and proposed new language on the call for the award to indicate that committee members may meet with faculty virtually or observe virtual classes and proposed moving the submission deadline forward to October 23, 2020.
 1. The committee unanimously approved the Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award language changes and earlier submission deadline – Michelle/Jon at 12:28pm
 - B. The committee updated the nomination deadline for the Distinguished University Service Award and Distinguished University Public Service Award (new deadline April 2, 2021).
 - C. The Regents Teaching Excellence Award is controlled by the UW Board of Regents and generally has a deadline in January:
<https://www.wisconsin.edu/regents/regent-awards/regent-awards/#:~:text=The%20purpose%20of%20the%20Regents,outstanding%20career%20achievement%20in%20teaching>.
 - D. The committee chair was asked to contact the University Secretary to request appointment of a new committee member to replace Ichiro Suzuki (Computer Science) who retired from UWM.
 - E. Committee chair was asked to create a Doodle Poll to schedule the next committee meeting the first week of November in order to review Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Awards nominations and finalize the review process.
- V. The committee adjourned at 12:43pm