To: Chairs, Campus Academic Senates

From: James Postma

Subject: Nominees for Faculty Trustee

October 26, 2010

On behalf of the Academic Senate CSU, I request that you begin the process for seeking nominees for Faculty Trustee. Nominating materials must be received by Monday, December 20, 2010 and the Academic Senate CSU Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee will review campus nominations January 18, 2011. As required by law, the full Senate will make its selection(s) of at least two nominees for the post of faculty trustee at its March 17-18, 2011 meeting.

Criteria and procedures for the selection of the faculty trustee nominees are attached as well as required information for each nomination. These documents are also posted on our website at http://www.calstate.edu/acadsen/documents/Call_For_Nominations_Faculty_Trustee_11-13.pdf under the heading “What’s New”. Please note, we are requesting that one copy of each nominee's materials be sent to the Senate office no later than Monday, December 20, 2010. Please send to: Academic Senate CSU, 401 Golden Shore, Suite 139, Long Beach, CA 90802-4210, attention: Tracy Butler.

Summary of Timetable:

December 20 Campus nominees' supportive material due to Academic Senate office, 401 Golden Shore, Suite 139, Long Beach 90802
January 18 Senate Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee reviews documents; selects candidates for review by full Senate
January 20-21 Full Senate reviews nomination materials
March 17-18 Full Senate elects two or more final candidates whose names will be forwarded to the Governor

Late Spring-Early Summer 2011 Governor appoints one candidate as CSU Faculty Trustee


Attachments

c: Academic Senate CSU
DUTIES

- Faculty Trustee is a 12-month position. Duties include attending all Board of Trustee, Trustee Committee, Senate Plenary, and Senate Executive Committee meetings. The Faculty Trustee serves a two-year term and normally visits several campuses during their term to meet with faculty and discuss Board of Trustee actions.

CRITERIA FOR NOMINEES FOR FACULTY TRUSTEE

- Candidates must be faculty members who are tenured at the California State University campus at which they teach currently and shall not hold any administrative positions other than department chair or equivalent.

- Candidates shall have demonstrated records of excellence in teaching, professional achievement, and university service.

- Candidates shall possess experience in academic governance in the California State University.

- The appointed faculty trustee shall not be a member of the Academic Senate of the California State University. Should the faculty trustee be a member of the Academic Senate CSU at the time of appointment, that person shall resign from the Senate.

- The Academic Senate CSU shall resolve questions as to definitions and eligibility.

PROCEDURES FOR SELECTING TRUSTEE NOMINEES

- These procedures shall be initiated at least one full academic term in advance of the time that Faculty Trustee nominations are to be made.

- Each campus senate shall develop procedures for selecting eligible nominees. As at least one option, the procedures shall allow for nominations by petition. Each such nomination shall require the signed concurrence of at least 10% of the full-time teaching faculty or 50 such faculty members, whichever is less. The campus senate or council shall forward the names of all eligible nominees to the Academic Senate CSU by a date to be determined by the Academic Senate CSU.

- From each nominee, the local senate chair shall forward (1) the completed cover sheet, (2) a current vita structured to the eligibility criteria, (3) a statement of no more than 500 words expressing his or her views of the position, and (4) a narrative of no more than 250 words giving evidence of teaching excellence.

- The Academic Senate CSU Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee shall be composed of seven non-candidate faculty members as follows:

  a. Five members shall be elected by and from the Academic Senate CSU in the manner of election as the at-large Executive Committee positions. No campus shall have more than one representative.

  b. Their local senates shall select two additional members. These members shall be selected from two campuses, chosen by lot from the Academic Senate CSU, and from those campuses not represented by the five previously selected campuses. The qualifications for these two faculty members shall be the same as eligibility for election to the Academic Senate CSU according to its constitution and bylaws.
Criteria For Nominees For Faculty Trustee (cont.)

The Academic Senate CSU shall elect these five members of the nominating committee at the September meeting of the Academic Senate CSU in the academic year in which the term of the present faculty trustee is to expire. The two additional members shall be selected in time to permit the committee to have its full composition by the succeeding (November) meeting of the Academic Senate CSU. The first member elected by the Academic Senate CSU shall serve as chair of the committee.

The committee shall determine its own procedures for selecting candidates for nomination.

- The Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee shall screen the original list of nominees and develop recommendations with supporting information.

The committee shall present four candidates for nomination to the Senate. The nominee recommendations of the committee shall be made available to the Academic Senate CSU at the January plenary session. The confidential files of these candidates shall be made available for review in the Senate office to members of the Academic Senate CSU at that time and at the plenary session in which the determination of the nominees is made. Unless otherwise determined by vote of the Academic Senate CSU, selection of nominees for the post of faculty trustee shall be made at the March meeting of the Academic Senate CSU immediately preceding the end of the tenure of the incumbent faculty trustee.

- All academic senators of the Academic Senate CSU are eligible to vote.

- The Academic Senate CSU, acting in executive session, chaired by the Chair, Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee, shall designate the final (two or more) nominees by secret ballot in the following manner, conducting as many votes as necessary:

  The Senate shall be provided with ballots containing the names of all the forwarded candidates in alphabetical order.

  Each senator may vote for as many candidates as he or she wishes in each voting round. Candidates become nominees in the voting round in which he or she obtains approval of at least two-thirds of the ballots of eligible voters. At the close of each voting round the names of nominated candidates shall be eliminated from further voting consideration.

  Voting shall be continued by the procedures indicated above until at least a sufficient number of candidates (two) have been nominated to meet the legal requirements.

  When that condition obtains, the Senate shall determine by majority vote whether it wishes to continue balloting. If the Senate chooses to continue, one further round of voting, one time, shall take place. Any candidate not nominated by these regular procedures is again eligible for nomination at this time. Any candidate receiving two-thirds of the votes of eligible voters in this round of voting is declared a nominee.

- The Chair of the Academic Senate CSU shall forward the names of the designated nominees to the Governor.

Approved Unanimously March 4, 1988, as part of AS-1773-87/EX (Revised July 18, 2006)
INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR FACULTY TRUSTEE NOMINATION

Submit this cover sheet

Name

Department and Campus

Campus address (include office)

Campus telephone number ( )

Home address

Home telephone number ( )

Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five references

Please check the boxes below:

☐ I am a tenured, teaching faculty member with no administrative position other than department chair or equivalent.

☐ I intend to serve the full two-year term if appointed by the Governor.

_________________________________________  ________________
Signature  Date
Each candidate for the position of faculty trustee must also submit:

► a vitae or resume, which shall include, as a minimum, the information requested as follows:

1. Academic education (list all colleges/universities, degrees, and years received)

2. Employment Record
   a. Academic
   b. Other

3. Academic honors, grants, and awards (include dates)

4. Listing of professional achievements

5. Service
   a. Department
   b. School/College
   c. University
   d. Systemwide
   e. Community

► a statement of 500 words or less which covers your experience in academic governance and why it prepares you to be a Faculty Trustee

► evidence of teaching excellence in narrative form, not to exceed 250 words

PLEASE SEND ONE COPY OF ALL MATERIALS TO:

Academic Senate CSU
Attn: Tracy Butler
401 Golden Shore, Suite 139
Long Beach, CA 90802-4210

All materials must be received in the Academic Senate CSU office no later than 5 pm, Monday, December 20, 2010.
Materials received after this time cannot be considered.