ACADEMIC SENATE
of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA

AS-545-001FAC
RESOLUTION ON
1999-2000 FMI Procedures

Adopted: June 6, 2000

1 Whereas: The faculty unit collective bargaining agreement (MOD 31.13) requires all faculty unit employees to provide annually a Faculty Activity Report (FAR) of her/his activities irrespective of whether s/he is applying for a Faculty Merit Increase (FMI); and

2 Whereas: The FAR form is used for both FM! and SSI (Salary Service Increases); and;

3 Whereas: In the two previous FM! cycles the FAR form was confusing because it was not clear that the faculty unit employee was to document all activities relevant to her/his job assignment for the applicable period; and

4 Whereas: The FAR form was inconsistent with requirements of MOD 31.29 because the form allowed a faculty member to opt not to have her or his name and award published; and

5 Whereas: The FAR form seemed to some faculty members to be demeaning by requiring them to state that yes, they wanted to be considered for an FMI; and

6 Whereas: Some faculty members who did not have full-time assignments were confused when their FM! awards were paid proportionate to their time bases;

7 Whereas: It is important for faculty to know what features of their performance determined whether they did or did not receive an FMI award and what features of their performance determined the amount of the FM! award received; therefore, be it

8 Resolved: That each department and each dean involved in the FM! review process collaborate in the development and publication, in advance, of the criteria commensurate with each of the four areas of emphasis that will be used to determine FMI awards; and be it further

9 Resolved: That each department and each dean involved in the FMI review process inform each faculty member in writing of the way in which the criteria were applied in his or her case; and be it further

10 Resolved: That the FAR form be revised as per the attached sample; and be it further

11 Resolved: That the attached FM! and SSI calendars be adopted; and be it further

12 Resolved: That deans inform their faculty that FM! awards are paid proportionate to the faculty member's time base; and be it further
Resolved: That the deans and departments involved in the FMI review process distribute the FMI awards as broadly and equitably as possible.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Faculty Affairs Committee
Date: May 2, 2000
Revised: May 15, 2000
Revised: May 18, 2000
Revised: June 1, 2000
Revised June 6, 2000
September 22, 2000
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September 29, 2000
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SSI (Service Salary Increase) Criteria and Calendar for FY 2000-01

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- See Cal Poly "Faculty Merit Increase Policy" for procedures and calendar.
California State University Faculty Activity Report
JULY 1, 1999 through JUNE 30, 2000

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Name ___________________________________________ Dept. ________________________________

Highest Degree & Date ________________________________

Please check the area of evaluation you wish to have emphasized during this review period (check only one):
O Teaching (see section I below)
O Teaching and scholarship (see sections I and II below)
O Teaching and service to University and community (see sections I and III below)
O Teaching, scholarship, and service to University and community (see sections I, II, and III below)

D Check here if eligible for SSI (Service Salary Increase)
D Check here if you do NOT want to be considered for an FMI (note: a Faculty Activity Report is required even for those employees who elect not to be considered for a faculty merit increase.)

In no more than four (4) typewritten pages using 12-point type and one-inch margins, provide information on your activities, contributions, and accomplishments in the areas applicable to your work assignment, for the period covered by this report. (Note, the sub-headings under each section are considered guidelines and not an obligatory request for information)

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A. Summarize and comment on your student evaluations of teaching.
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I attest that the information provided in this report is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.
The following information will be accessible to departments; faculty members are NOT REQUIRED to include it on their FAR. Faculty Assignment by Department (FAD) reports for the past year will be accessible to FMI reviewers at department and college levels. FAD summarizes data regarding courses taught and enrollments by term for each faculty member. Academic Personnel will send each Department a report to include: rank/classification; tenured or probationary or temporary; if probationary, date of initial tenure-track appointment; if temporary, date of first appointment in present range; time base; June 2000 monthly salary rate, and SSI counter.
State of California
Memorandum

To: Myron Hood
Chair, Academic Senate

From: Warren J. Baker
President

Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-545-00-/FAC
Resolution on 1999-2000 FMI Procedures

The subject resolution has been received. The efforts by the Academic Senate to improve and clarify the procedures for both the Faculty Merit Increase (FMI) programs as well as the Salary Service Increase (SSI) program are most appreciated. I agree with the overall intent of the Resolution and approve implementation of its provisions with a few minor changes referenced below. At the onset, I wish to affirm that excellence in teaching continues to be the most critical responsibility of instructional faculty.

Although it is not feasible to expect implementation of the first and second resolves before September 29, 2000, I will ask the colleges and departments to collaborate on developing criteria and notification mechanisms prior to the end of Winter Quarter 2001.

The proposed changes to the Faculty Activity Report (FAR) are acceptable except for the inclusion of the first set of four boxes and related statements at the top of the form. Please note that these are no longer included on the EAR provided in Appendix F of the current Memorandum of Understanding. Their inclusion in last year's cycle contributed to the confusion and false expectations by some that FMIs could be based on only one area of a faculty member's assignment instead of demonstrated performance commensurate with the employee's entire work assignment.

Appended are the approved SSI and FMI calendars for 2000-01 and the Faculty Activity Report. Once again, please extend my appreciation to the Senate for addressing these issues.

Enclosures
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Academic Personnel Office, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA  8/24/00
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