

ACADEMIC SENATE – DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS COMMITTEE

Winter 2020

Due: Friday, March 20, 2020

MEMBERS	
Name	College/Unit
Dahm, Patricia	OCOB
Hagobian, Todd	Admin – Research and Development
Kolegraff, Stacy	CAED
Marquardt, Alexandria	ASI
Rodgers, Julie	CLA – resigned before the meetings started
Stanchev, Lubomir	CENG
Starc, Antonia	ASI
Steinmaus, Scott	CAFES
Tomanek, Lars (CH)	CSM
VACANT	CLA
VACANT	PCS

CHARGES		
Charge	Complete?	Status/Notes
Evaluate candidates and recommend recipients for the Distinguished Scholarship Award. Completed	X	The committee completed the review of all candidates that submitted the requested materials, identified a list of finalists and reviewed additional material submitted from the finalists to identify three awardees.

NOTES:

The DSA committee notified everyone who was nominated and eligible in early December to submit a short essay and a CV. Of 54 nominations, we received responses from 29 faculty (21 did not submit and 4 declined to submit any material). The committee reviewed these files during two meetings, on January 16 and 30 to identify 12 finalists. Every finalist was asked to submit an extended essay describing the impact of their research on their academic community and on Cal Poly students. The committee reviewed these files on March 2 and 9. The chair contacted three references for each of the eleven finalists and talked to many of these references for about 15 minutes to get an outside perspective of the candidates, which was shared with the committee during the discussions of each candidate. We were committed to inclusivity and fairness in evaluating scholarship across varied and widely distinct disciplines. We also took into consideration the time at Cal Poly to establish and maintain a creative professional program in the respective disciplines. We realized that evidence for scholarship and creative activity comes in many forms at Cal Poly, something the committee tried to represent in its selection.