

2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching
Allocation of Funds Report
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The Board of Governors hosted its Twelfth Annual Awards for Excellence in Teaching on Friday, May 12, 2006 at The Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill. The Personnel and Tenure Committee provided the oversight and coordination for the event. Members of the committee consisted of Charles Mercer, Jr., *Chair*, Brent Barringer, Dudley Flood, Peter Keber, Patsy B. Perry, William Smith, Craig Souza and David Young. Each recipient invited his/her family and representatives from their campus community. Also in attendance were representatives from the NC General Assembly and the O. Max Gardner Award winner, Dr. Ken Harewood from North Carolina Central University, and his family and colleagues. To select recipients of the Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching, each campus has set up a special committee on its campus to oversee the award process.

The luncheon was followed by the presentation of awards. President Bowles presented each recipient with an engraved bronze medallion and Chairman Bradley Wilson presented each recipient with a stipend in the amount of \$7,500.

Emphasizing that teaching is the primary responsibility of each of the 16 constituent institutions of the University, the Board of Governors established the Awards for Excellence in Teaching in 1994. (See *UNC Policy Manual* 400.3.6 and 400.3.6.1 [G]). A sum of \$125,000 is allocated to the sixteen University of North Carolina campuses for campus-based teaching awards. Each institution receives \$6,500, with the smaller institutions (ECSU, FSU, NCCU, NCSA, UNCA, UNCP, and WSSU) receiving \$9,500. Campuses develop procedures to ensure all funds are used for annual teaching awards, including recognition of tenured and other faculty (i.e. graduate teaching assistants, non-tenure-track faculty).

In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Board of Governors, each campus has reported on its internal distribution and use of these allocations for Academic Year 2005-06.

Appalachian State University: **Dr. Doris G. Bazzini**, Professor of Psychology, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. Six additional faculty were recognized for their outstanding teaching on the campus. These faculty were recommended by an ad hoc committee for the awards. One faculty received a stipend in the amount of \$1,500 and five received a \$1,000 award each. The Board of Governor winner, Doris Bazzini, was featured in the *Appalachian State University News* edition of April 26, 2006. Plans have been made to recognize all the 2005-06 AY Award winners at ASU's annual Convocation in September, 2006.

East Carolina University: **Dr. Judith Hunt**, Associate Professor of Management, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The Teaching Effectiveness Committee (a Faculty Senate Committee) comprised of five faculty oversees the teaching awards process. Nominations were made by faculty, students, administrators, and alumni as well as self-nomination by a faculty member. Five nominations were received and Dr. Judith Hunt was selected by the committee. Her portfolio and recommendation from the Teaching Effectiveness Committee was submitted to the Chancellor, which submitted her name to UNC GA. In addition, the campus awarded six faculty members with a \$1,000 stipend and two graduate teaching assistants with stipends of \$250 each.

Elizabeth City State University: **Dr. Sultana Khan**, Professor of Physics, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. A five member committee, including the previous year's winner, directs the process. Faculty, students, and alumni participated in the nomination of all candidates for the awards. One faculty member from the Dept. of Chemistry and Physics received the Institutional First Runner-up Award accompanied by a \$2,500 stipend. The Second Runner-up was from the Department of Language, Literature and Communication. He received a \$2,000 stipend. Four departmental Teachers of the Year received stipends in the amount of \$1,250 each. The allocation and distribution of funds were expended on the cash awards to faculty. An article from *The Coastland Times* dated May 7, 2006 featured a photo and citation about Dr. Khan's achievement.

Fayetteville State University: **Dr. Nogzi Caleb Kamalu**, Professor of Political Science, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The campus selection committee also recognized outstanding faculty members in the following categories: FSU Teacher of the Year Award was given to one faculty member and was accompanied by a \$4,000 stipend and an engraved 12" x 15" plaque. It was presented to the recipient at FSU's Spring Commencement. Four faculty members from the College/School level received stipends in the amount of \$1,000 each with a 9"x12" engraved plaque, and 12 faculty members from the Departmental level received a \$500 stipend and plaque. The appropriation received from the Board of Governors coupled with Fayetteville State University's Funds account allowed for additional teaching awards. All winners were honored at an End-of-Year Celebration in May, 2006.

North Carolina A&T State University: **Dr. Jacqueline A. Williams**, Associate Professor of Marketing and Management, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The University Awards and Honorary Degrees Committee in conjunction with the Academy for Teaching and Learning solicits nominations for the annual campus teaching awards process. In September 2005, the committee advertised the Teaching Awards by posting a notice on the University's web site and sought nominations from staff, faculty, alumni, and students. The committee along with the Academy for Teaching and Learning received the portfolios and developed an evaluation instrument to rank the order of the teachers. The Chancellor

made the final selection of the award winner and the winner's portfolio was submitted to the system office. Seven faculty members, one each from the Colleges/Schools, received a stipend in the amount of \$1,000 and a special citation. The winners were recognized and introduced by the Chancellor at the Annual Honors' Day Convocation activities in March, 2006. The winners were also recognized at the springtime commencement exercises and were featured in *The Aggie Report* issue dated March 31, 2006.

North Carolina Central University: **Dr. Veronica Chima Nwosu**, Associate Professor of Biology, was selected as the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. An ad-hoc committee provides oversight for the annual awards process. The campus recognized three outstanding faculty with a monetary stipend in the amount of \$3,166.67. The campus purchased plaques for the award winners. The award winners are recognized at NCCU's commencement ceremony in the Spring. NCCU's bi-monthly newsletter, *NCCU today*, profiled Dr. Nwosu and three outstanding faculty in its May 2006 edition titled "NCCU Honors The Best Teaching."

North Carolina School of the Arts: **Ms. Christine Turbitt**, Instructor of Design and Production, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The faculty selection committee, chaired by the 2005 BOG Teaching Award recipient, Ms. Patricia Casey, solicited and reviewed nominations for this year's teaching awards. Last fall, the selection committee recommended five nominees to receive campus teaching awards and one nominee to receive the Board of Governors teaching award. Five faculty, one from each School (Drama, Design & Production, Filmmaking, Music, and High School Programs), shared equally in the funds made available to NCSA by the University Board of Governors.

North Carolina State University: **Dr. Gerald Van Dyke**, Professor of Botany, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The University Standing Committee on the Evaluation of Teaching established a procedure in 1995 to identify outstanding faculty members from each college. The committee is comprised of the previous teaching award recipients, undergraduate and graduate students, a faculty senator, and a representative from the Evaluation of Teaching Effectiveness Committee. In addition to the BOG award winner, nine faculty received the Outstanding Teacher (OT) Award and received a stipend in the amount of \$650 each. Upon being selected as Outstanding Teacher, recipients become members of the Academy of Outstanding Teachers for as long as they are NC State faculty. The college and university award recipients were publicized in the campus newspaper and NCSU's *Teaching Effectiveness* newsletter. Their names appeared in the commencement program. The BOG recipient, Dr. Van Dyke, was publicized in the campus' newsletter on May 19, 2006.

University of North Carolina at Asheville: **Dr. Robert D. Yearout**, Professor of Management and Accountancy, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. UNCA funded five awards of \$1,750 to faculty for superior teaching. One award was given from each of UNCA's academic divisions (Humanities, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences). In addition, an award was given for the distinguished "non-tenured" faculty member and one for the distinguished "part-time faculty member. The remaining balance of \$750 was used to supplement the UNCA

Distinguished Teacher Award. The award winners were recognized at the Spring commencement exercises.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill: **Dr. Joseph C. Lowman**, Professor of Psychology, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The Office of the Provost posts information about the award process on its website. Nomination forms are available at the Office of the Provost or on-line. A selection committee is charged with screening the nominations and selecting the finalists. The allocation from the Board of Governors augmented by \$13,500 from University funds provided four faculty members with the Post-Baccalaureate Awards for Distinguished Teaching. Each award winner received a \$5,000 stipend and was recognized at a banquet held at the Carolina Club on April 18, 2006. On April 26, 2006, the campus newspaper, *The Gazette* featured an article titled "2006 University Teaching Awards" which published a brief citation and photo of all the current year teaching award winners.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte: **Dr. William C. Gay**, Professor of Philosophy, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The committee who oversees the campus awards process schedules many publicity events on campus to spotlight several outstanding professors at the institution. One faculty member received the Provost's Award for Excellence in Teaching and a stipend in the amount of \$1,200. One faculty member from the College of Architecture and one faculty from the College of Education received a stipend of \$1,000 each; one part-time faculty member from the College of Arts & Sciences and two faculty members (one undergraduate and one graduate) from Information Technology received stipends in the amount of \$500 each. Two graduate teaching awards from the College of Arts & Sciences were rendered in the amount of \$400, and two faculty members (one undergraduate and one graduate) from the College of Health and Human Services each received a \$500 stipend. The names of the present and past recipients hang on a permanent engraved plaque in the Bonnie Cone University Center. All past BOG Teaching Award recipients from the campus are featured at an event highlighting excellent teaching for new members of the faculty. This year's award winners' names were published in the campus newspaper as well as local media.

University of North Carolina at Greensboro: **Mr. John Gamble**, Professor of Dance, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The Alumni Teaching Excellence Awards Program has long been established to recognize excellent teaching at the University. The University defines teaching by outstanding success in facilitating student learning and interest, guiding and facilitating student research, making complex ideas and concepts understandable and meaningful, maintenance of high academic standards, and scholarship or artistic accomplishment. The allocation of \$6,500 was expended with seven awards made available to outstanding teaching. One faculty member from the College of Arts & Sciences and UNCG's six professional schools received awards. The award in the Joseph M. Bryan School of Business and Economics was shared by two outstanding faculty members. All award winners were recognized at the University's Commencement ceremony on May 12, 2006 and their names were printed in the Commencement program.

University of North Carolina at Pembroke: **Dr. Robert W. Brown**, Professor of History, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The University Awards committee is in charge of the awards process. It is comprised of five members representing the five academic divisions of the University. The committee chair is appointed by the Faculty Senate Chair. UNCP reports that the funds provided by the Board of Governors enabled the campus to further its focus on teaching and to recognize five faculty members for outstanding teaching. These faculty members were recognized at the Faculty Appreciation Dinner held by the Chancellor on May 5, 2006. Chancellor Meadors presented each award winner with a plaque and a stipend in the amount of \$1,900. Their names were engraved on a large plaque donated by the Alumni Association. UNCP's Public Information Office prepared media releases about the award winners.

University of North Carolina at Wilmington: **Dr. Russell L. Herman**, Associate Professor of Mathematical Science, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The information regarding the campus award process is posted on the UNCW campus web site. All chairpersons, faculty, staff, students, and alumni are encouraged to nominate faculty members for the annual campus awards. Five Chancellor's Teaching Excellence Awards are given to outstanding faculty members. Each received a stipend in the amount of \$1,500. The additional monies are provided through UNCW's Endowment Trust. Through UNCW's institutional resources, three faculty members received the Distinguished Teaching Professorship Award, one received the Board of Trustees Teaching Excellence Award, and six Graduate Teaching Assistant Awards were distributed. The campus posts the winners' names on their website and acknowledges them at spring Commencement exercises.

Western Carolina University: **Dr. L. Scott Philyaw**, Associate Professor of History, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. At WCU, the Myron L. Coulter Faculty Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning provides support for the teaching awards and has worked to improve teaching across the campus. A seven member selection committee selects the award recipients. The committee is comprised of one representative from each of the undergraduate colleges, one representative of the Graduate Faculty, one representative from the Alumni Association, and a committee chair. At WCU, a pool of applicants is in place to select from. In addition, any dean, faculty member or alumnus may nominate a faculty member for the award. The amount of \$2,500 is given to the recipient of The Collaborative Education Experience Award. This year two recipients were awarded the Collaborative Education Experience Award and shared equally in the fund. Two faculty from the College of Applied Sciences received a \$500 each. One faculty from the College of Arts & Sciences was awarded a \$1,000 stipend. The College of Business gave two cash awards in the amount of \$500. The College of Education and Allied Professions recognized four faculty members with a \$250 stipend. A press release from the WCU Office of Public Relations about the award winners was circulated to local media.

Winston-Salem State University: Dr. Cassaundra M. El-Amin, Associate Professor of Education, was named the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipient. The Faculty Awards Committee receives nominations for the University's annual excellence in teaching awards. The committee reviewed the portfolios and videos and observed classroom instruction for each nominee. Ultimately, one name is submitted to the Chancellor who then forwards the name to the system office. Six faculty members who demonstrate superb teaching received awards ranging from \$1,500 - \$3,500. Additionally, Wachovia Bank honors a faculty member annually from WSSU to receive the Wachovia Excellence in Teaching Award. It carries a stipend in the amount of \$3,500, of which \$3,000 comes from the Board of Governors funds. Chancellor Harold L. Martin, Sr., presented each award recipient a stipend and certificate of recognition at the Faculty Awards Luncheon on April 27, 2006, which was well attended by the award winners and their families and guests. The campus newsletter published an article regarding Dr. El-Amin's accomplishments in its May 12, 2006 publication.

The UNC General Administration Public Affairs Office sent press releases to media state-wide with a photo and biography of each of the 2006 Board of Governors Awards for Excellence in Teaching recipients. The information is also posted on the UNC Office of the President website at <http://www.northcarolina.edu/content.php/pres/news>.