Policy 9A: Regents Awards [1]

1. The Board of Regents may award Honorary Degrees, University Medals, or Distinguished Service Awards as follows:

a. Honorary Degrees recognize outstanding achievement in one or more of the following areas: intellectual contributions, university service, and/or public service.
b. University Medals recognize those persons whose achievements and contributions are particularly associated with the university.
c. Distinguished Service Awards recognize those persons whose achievements and contributions are particularly associated with the state and/or nation.

2. Nomination Process

a. Each year the vice president, university counsel and secretary of the board will solicit nominees for these awards. Nomination deadline is November 15. Late or incomplete nomination packages will not be considered.
b. Honorary Degree, University Medal, and Distinguished Service Award nominations must be submitted on the award nomination form and supported by three and not more than five letters of recommendation. The nominator will provide the recommendation letters and the nominee's current vita, address, and telephone number. The complete nomination package must be submitted to the Office of the Vice President, University Counsel and Secretary of the Board of Regents by the deadline date.
c. Nomination Guidelines:
    - No person may nominate him/herself, nor may current university employees be nominated.
    - Current public officials may not be nominated. Public officials are elected or appointed officials in policy making positions with the ability to directly affect the university through an official act.
    - Public officials may be nominated two years after completion of their terms of office.
d. Each chancellor will designate a campus Regents Awards Canvassing Committee that encourages qualified nominations. The vice president, university counsel and secretary will accept any qualified nomination not submitted through a campus canvassing committee, but will forward the nomination package to the respective canvassing committee for formal submittal on behalf of the respective campus. Chancellors will identify the chair of the canvassing committee to the secretary to facilitate nomination

referrals to the committee.

e. The campus canvassing committees will submit qualified nominations to the secretary of the board to forward to the Regents Awards Committee. The Regents Awards Committee will be composed of four regents and four faculty members of the Faculty Council on Educational Policy and University Standards (EPUS) committee.
f. All nominations will be considered confidential and be discussed at the annual January meeting of the Regents Awards Committee.
g. The Regents Awards Committee will forward the recommendation of candidates for regents awards to the board for action.
h. To receive an Honorary Degree, the candidates selected must attend a university commencement within a two-year period following selection. University Medals or Distinguished Service Awards are generally awarded at commencements but may be awarded on other occasions, as determined by the board.
i. Nominees not selected may be resubmitted for reconsideration if new information (such as additional accomplishments) is cited in the nomination package. Nominees not selected after two consecutive nominations may not be submitted again for three years, unless the awards committee specifically requests a submittal.

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