Committee Name: Staff Awards, Nominations and Selection Committee

Briefly summarize primary activities for the year:

Since 2020, this committee has focused exclusively on the faculty and staff awards for the La Vida Lobo Service Initiative. In Fall 2021, the committee met to look at the rubric and to revise it based on conversations after the Spring 2021 ranking session was held. The experiences of the Spring 2021 ranking session informed some changes that the committee felt would better fit the intent of the award.

The original due date for completion of activities was in May. However, President Gallego moved the date up to April 11 so that the winners could be awarded at the April 28, 2022 SRSU Staff and Faculty Awards Luncheon. The number of applications submitted was 23. Because the due date was moved up, the decision was made to consider those applications for which the applicant had already completed at least five hours of work. Six participants were unable to meet this criterion so their applications were not reviewed.

After April 11, the La Vida Lobo selection members received a scoring guide for the remaining applications, which were due to Dr. Qvarnstrom by April 20.

At an April 21 meeting of the La Vida Lobo selection the meeting, the results, having been tabulated by Institutional Effectiveness Director Greg Marsh, were reviewed.

The winners are as listed:
- Andrew Alegria (Community Concern)
- Carolyn Barrientes (Community Play)
- Oguzhan Basibuyuk (Criminal Justice Camp)
- Clara Castaneda (Pit Stop: Free Personal Items for Students)
- Kendra DeHart (Native American Recognition)
- Aaron Majek (Regional Employment Survey)
- Jennifer Miller (Alpine Library Literacy Activities)
- Marjie Scott (Alpine Ghost Tour)
- Alicia Trotman (PRISM)
- Savannah Williamson (Food for Thought)

Dr. Qvarnstrom will contact the references listed by each applicant to confirm the activities before the April 28 celebration.
Briefly summarize goals for the 2022-2023 academic year:

The status of the La Vida Lobo is in limbo at the moment. This community service activity was created and supported by President Gallego. The La Vida Lobo selection members did agree that the Interim President should be approached to see if s/he is interested in continuing the program.

The comment was made that the committee members feel that the SRSU community had a better sense of and understanding of La Vida Lobo this year. We would hope that that sense of commitment would increase next year if the program continues.

The committee also agreed that the 2021-2022 applications were much stronger than the 2020-2021 applications. It is the hope of the committee that 2022-2023 applications will be just as strong if not stronger.

The rubric revised from last year worked very well in helping committee members rank the applications, so it will be kept for next year.

The decision was made that individuals can repeat a project as they will more than likely be impacting an entirely new set of individuals.

During the coming year, the Interim President will be considering the broader charge of the committee, too.

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