

# Chaddock & Cramer/University Faculty Senate Outstanding Mentoring Award

## PURPOSE OF THE AWARD

The Chaddock & Cramer/University Faculty Senate Outstanding Mentoring Award is conferred by the University Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Mentoring of junior governance members by senior members has been a long-standing tradition of many governance leaders in both UFS and on-campus governance units. This unwritten code has enabled many UFS leaders to learn to put things in perspective and evaluate alternatives – in terms of governance, career, and life challenges. This award, proposed in 2019, is offered by two UFS governance leaders who owe many of their own successes to such mentoring, and who wish to highlight mentoring as an explicit goal of UFS participation and service.

Nominees for the award must have achieved a reputation for outstanding mentoring of governance colleagues in the area of faculty governance at **both** the System (e.g., UFS) *and* Campus levels. Consideration will be given for a sustained level of commitment for a minimum of seven (7) years.

## NATURE OF THE AWARD

The Chaddock & Cramer/University Faculty Senate Outstanding Mentoring Award will consist of a plaque and a monetary award of \$500. This award shall be presented by the Senate President during the Spring Plenary each year that there is a candidate, unless circumstances require that the award be presented at another time/place. The annual monetary award will be supplied by Drs. Cramer and Chaddock, upon notification of an awardee. Note: arrangements have been made for continued funding of the award beyond the lifetimes of the donors.

The name of the individual selected for the award shall be announced in an appropriate format by the UFS, on the UFS website, and included in the list of awardees in relevant *UFS* documents. The president of the individual's campus shall be notified.

## ELIGIBILITY

Only currently employed SUNY System members, faculty and staff will be eligible. A candidate for the Chaddock & Cramer/University Faculty Senate Outstanding Mentoring Award must have been a mentor, sustained over time, to at least five

governance members at **both the campus and the University Faculty Senate**, over time, for at least 7 years. Successful candidates are individuals who meet any three (or more) of the following criteria:

1. Mentoring those new to governance at any level within UFS (campus, UFS committee, Senate,)
2. Crafting their mentoring experiences to expand governance membership beyond the traditional membership
3. Supporting those who require assistance to achieve their governance goals (at the campus or UFS level)
4. Mentoring any of the following:
  - a. Those serving on UFS committees (as members or chair)
  - b. seeking to become, or serving, as governance officers (at campus or UFS level)
5. Striving to contribute to governance in unique or challenging ways (at the campus or UFS level)
6. Other unique mentoring that rises to the level of significant

## **NOMINATION PROCESS AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS**

- Nominations should be made by a current or former member of the University Faculty Senate (UFS) or a member of the nominee's home campus who has served on campus governance or with the UFS.
- The nominee must agree to be a candidate for the award.
- The nominator should prepare a dossier addressing how the candidate meets both the eligibility criteria and the mentoring award criteria. The dossier must include at least two letters of support, at least one of which must be from a UFS mentee.

## **DEADLINE**

All supporting materials must be delivered to the University Faculty Senate secretary by the final day of the January Plenary meeting, unless call for nominations is suspended due to the presence of previously nominated, not yet awarded, worthy candidates.

If the Executive Committee considers multiple candidates to be deserving, then they can suspend announcement of the award for the subsequent year(s) and announce winners from an earlier pool of nominees.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

- The recipient will be chosen from nominees by the University Faculty Senate Executive Committee.
- Only one award will be given out annually, but if the Executive Committee considers multiple candidates to be deserving, then they can suspend announcement of the award for the subsequent year(s), and announce winner[s] from an earlier pool of nominees.
- The Senate President will inform the recipient of his/her selection at least one month in advance of the Spring Plenary meeting.
- The winner does not have to be a current member of the UFS to be a recipient of the award