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Kara,

So the attached related to two items:

1) University Distinguished Professor. First two emails relate to whether faculty who are not endowed chairs, named professors, and the like are required to have served at least five years at MSU and the addl question that came up is whether those five years must be consecutive. Just note that we have had no faculty selected who were not near a decade in service or more than a decade. I am not clear that this award is reviewed by UCFA and changed through faculty committees/governance.

2) William J Beal Outstanding Faculty Award. Third email. This year’s committee would not select a nominee who was a University Distinguished Professor. They considered that a UDP has already received the highest level of acknowledgment that an MSU faculty could. It did not make sense to add the Beal award since the UDP was the more prestigious award. Note that the University Distinguished Professors have been selected in the past. So if the University Distinguished Professors are not going to be selected—that is, they no longer qualify—this needs to be indicated in the nomination instructions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Betsy

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