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Fall Convocation

Sherman Music Recital Hall

October 9, 2002
GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

Mission

I. Provide an accessible, quality education that meets the needs of serious and motivated men and women.

II. Cultivate and sustain a diverse and intellectually stimulating community of learners guided by a culture that embodies
   • openness of communication;
   • diversity of backgrounds, experience, and perspectives;
   • mutual respect and cooperation;
   • critical inquiry, and;
   • on-going research and scholarship.

III. Strengthen the educational, cultural, social, and economic development of the region through partnerships with government, business, educational, civic, and social organizations.

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President, Governors State University
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Refreshments immediately following in the Hall of Governors
Faculty Awards

Ralph Bell
University Professor of Health Administration
College of Health Professions

Dr. Bell is commended for his excellence in the areas of research/scholarship and service. During the 2000-2001 academic year, Dr. Bell was the lead author of the book, *How to Use Patient Satisfaction to Improve Healthcare Quality*, published by ASQ Quality Press. He also co-authored two research articles published in the peer-reviewed journals of health administration, authored a response commentary to an article published in a peer reviewed text, and co-authored, along with several of his Health Administration Program colleagues, four papers presented at national conferences. Additionally, he was principal investigator on a federal grant application.

In the area of service, Dr. Bell has been similarly active. He is a member of the Governors State University Faculty Senate, serving as a senator representing the College of Health Professions, as an executive board member, and as chair of the Division’s Personnel Committee. He also chairs the Health Administration Program’s accreditation efforts and serves on the university’s Strategic Planning Subcommittee on scholarship. In the community, Dr. Bell is a board member of the Cancer Support Center and president of the Friends of Park Forest Health Department.

Jon Carlson
University Professor of Psychology and Counseling
College of Education

Dr. Jon Carlson is recognized for his prolific scholarship and research. This year alone, he completed numerous videos on family therapy, relationship counseling, child therapy, and multicultural therapy and completed six books on the topics of therapy, counseling, and marriage. He also was the keynote speaker and presenter at several national and international professional conferences; edited the professional journal, *The Family Journal*; and developed ten articles, many of which were written with Governors State University faculty and students.
Dr. Chung is recognized for his excellence in the areas of research/scholarship and service. During the 2000-2001 academic year, he co-authored three papers, which were submitted to peer-reviewed publications. Dr. Chung also co-authored two papers, presented at national and international conferences, and had his work published in the conferences' proceedings. Notably, he presented the paper, "Availability of Primary Care Physicians: Urban versus Rural Areas", at the annual Business and Health Administration Conference. Additionally, he was invited to present a paper at the national conference of the Academy for Health Service Research and Health Policy.

In the area of service, Dr. Chung developed the curriculum design for the Health Care Informatics certificate. He serves as advisor to the GSU student chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives. Also, he is a board member of the Business and Health Administrators Association and serves as their Webmaster.

Dr. Donaldson is recognized for his teaching and service. He was elected by his colleagues to serve as the coordinator of the Public Administration Program. In this capacity, he initiated a major effort to streamline the process connected with master's research papers. In doing so, he directed the creation of a Master's Final Project Manual for faculty and students in the Public Administration Program and organized three graduate research methods workshops for M.P.A students. The CBPA Student Advisory Council recognized this achievement, presenting its Certificate of Appreciation for Significant Contribution to Student Learning to Dr. Donaldson.

In regard to service, Dr. Donaldson is leading an effort to establish a Center for County Government at Governors State University, an outgrowth of his nearly 20 years of service as a member of the Public Building Commission of Chicago. He is also a member of the READY Advisory Council of the Chicago Public Schools. In 2001, Dr. Donaldson received the Chicago's African American Architectural Association Achievement Award, the Illinois Black Contractors United Achievement Award, and the Vision Quest Award for Education presented by the Theta Rho Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Dr. Deborah Holdstein's accomplishments are notable in both scholarly activities and in the field of service. One colleague described her as the "best committee chair I ever served." Currently, she serves on three university-wide committees, chairing two of them. One committee, the Graduate Studies Steering Committee, is a recently formed panel to articulate the strengths, weaknesses, and future possibilities of the graduate programs at Governors State University. Her most notable and challenging accomplishment was guiding the university's NCA re-accreditation efforts from 1997 to 2000. Outside of the university, Dr. Holdstein holds eight different appointments, including committee chair, coordinator, and executive board member for several regional and national organizations. Last March, she chaired the Conference on College Communication and Composition meeting in Chicago and currently serves on the organization's executive committee.

This past year, Dr. Holdstein published one book and two journal papers, "Writing Across the Curriculum and the Paradoxes of Institutional Initiatives" (Pedagogy, Duke University Press) and "Corporate Textbook Production, Electronic Reserves, and Writing at the University" (Beyond English, Inc.) Her scholarly activities include several regional and national presentations.

Beyond scholarly activities and service, Dr. Holdstein is clearly devoted to her students. Serving as an advisor for the B.A. and M.A. in English Programs for more than 15 years, she received the Student Choice Award for Teaching in 1997, 1998 and 1999.

Professor Labriola is recognized for his achievements in the area of research and creative activities. He leads the design team for the Foster Pride Digital Project, a $2.7 million grant funded by the Federal Program for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE). In this capacity, he is developing a multimedia curriculum to educate foster parents nationwide. This unique project coordinates professional actors, consultants, graphic artists, photographers, audio and video engineers, and computer programmers from GSU, the Child Welfare League of America and the administrations of six states. This task demands creative instructional design, mastery of new technologies, research and development of new technologies, staff development and the partnering of public and private organizations. Professor Labriola's exceptional program development skills are evidenced by his work on several video series, such as Living Love: Skills for Successful Relations, Child Therapy with the Experts, Parenting with the Experts, Urban Dynamics, Issues and Impact, and Teach In on Terrorism. Many of these works were televised and distributed nationally.

Mr. Labriola's creative activities are numerous and include writing, directing and producing the musical play, An Arabian Night: Aladdin, Sinbad, Ali Baba, and the Gang. This theatrical production of 54 actors, a 15-piece orchestra, six dancing skeletons and a flying rock received rave reviews from the Star newspaper.
Dr. Lanigan is recognized for her research. Her most notable accomplishment was the recent publication of a book, *Creating Evaluation Instruments to Predict Behavior Transfer: A New Theory and Measures in Training Evaluation*. The International Society for Performance Improvement recognized the work for its “outstanding contribution and achievement” to the field. Currently, an article by Dr. Lanigan is being reviewed for possible publication in *Performance Improvement Quarterly*. During 2000-2001, she presented at six conferences in the greater Chicago area.

Beyond her research, Dr. Lanigan has incorporated an online component in most of her courses. Student evaluations from these courses indicate that she is a good teacher, establishing high expectations for her students.

Dr. Stover is recognized for his service to the university and his professional organization, the Illinois Political Science Association (IPSA). He served as a panelist at two university forums on “America’s New War against Terrorism”. Also, he represented the College of Business and Public Administration in various recruitment and marketing efforts and participated in the proposal to create a new master’s degree in Emergency Management.

During this time, Dr. Stover served as president of IPSA. In this capacity, he chaired and organized the association’s annual conference, held at Governors State University. Dr. Stover also presented a paper at the conference, “Are Rights the Right Way?”
Dr. Yacullo is recognized for his excellence in the areas of research/scholarship and service. During Academic Year 2000-2001, he was appointed the assistant editor of the *Journal of the American Academy of Audiology*, the premier peer-reviewed journal in the field of audiology. As assistant editor, Dr. Yacullo was noted for his exceptionally thorough and instructive reviews of manuscripts. His peers recognized the detail and accuracy of his work, leading to his receiving the Editor’s Award for 2001.

However, Dr. Yacullo’s scholarly efforts were not limited to his editorial work exclusively. He authored the chapter on “Masking” in the text, *The MIT Encyclopedia of Communication Disorders*, which was accepted for publication without any editorial changes, a rarity for a scholarly book of this caliber. The editor stated, “excellent - informative, clearly written, and a valuable description of masking procedures.”

Professor Julia Yang is commended for her teaching and research. This is evidenced by her exceptional application of technology to teaching, excellent student comments, and establishing program connections between the university and outside organizations. Dr. Yang has enhanced her classes by incorporating online technology using WebCT. Student evaluations and comments reflect the positive impact of her classes, recognizing Dr. Yang as a committed instructor, working tirelessly to make the Counseling Program student-friendly, while maintaining standards set by the professional counseling organizations. She made significant contributions to the evaluation and improvement of the Psychology and Counseling programs. This includes her involvement in the Student Outcome Assessment Plan, preparation for the NCATE accreditation visit, and maintaining standards for the Psychology and Counseling Division’s accreditation.

Professor Yang actively promotes Governors State University through her involvement in the Illinois Counseling Association. Additionally, she regularly represents our university by publishing and presenting on the regional, state, national, and international levels.
**Community Service Awards**

**Anthony Andrews**  
University Professor of Economics  
College of Business and Public Administration

Dr. Andrews is recognized for his volunteer service to the South Shore Planning and Preservation Coalition. A nonprofit community-based collaboration of diverse organizations, businesses, residents and others united to serve as a catalyst to improve the quality of life for residents in Chicago's South Shore community, SSPC is examining the impact of public housing transformation on the South Shore community.

From helping to conceptualize the issues to researching the data and analyzing it, Dr. Andrews has been intimately involved in helping SSPC accurately assess the impact of Section 8 vouchers on South Shore and formulating strategies for the successful transformation of the community. His work is praised for “making it easier to understand the issue” and helping the organization “develop positive avenues of approach.” Additionally, he is credited with keeping the participants “actively engaged in working on this issue.”

**Annie Ware**  
Technical Assistant II  
University Library

Mrs. Ware is recognized for her volunteer service on behalf of abandoned pregnant teenagers and their babies. To provide support for these youth, she established the Right Choice Youth Services, a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. Their mission is to provide homes for the teens and classes, including parenting skills, to enable them to live independently.

A member of the South Suburban Coalition to End Homelessness, Mrs. Ware provides referrals and temporary shelter placements for homeless teens. Her long-range goal is to purchase or build a home for at-risk teens and their babies. In addition to housing, the facility will offer classrooms, health facilities, and a day care center. Currently, no center of this kind exists in the southern suburbs.
The Dr. Gerald C. Baysore Endowed Distinguished Service Award

The Baysore Distinguished Service Award honors the memory of Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Gerald C. Baysore, who died on October 17, 1988. The award is presented to the Governors State University employee who, during each year, most fully embodies the following four qualities:

1. absolute integrity,
2. total competence,
3. generous dedication, and
4. unfailing civility.

These qualities were Dr. Baysore’s hallmark during his eighteen years of service to the university.

Each year, the deans and vice presidents are asked to nominate one individual only from their respective jurisdictions. The nominations must be based on the four qualities named above. From these nominations, the University President and a representative of Dr. Baysore’s estate select the winner.