

HONORARY AWARDS & RECOGNITION COMMITTEE MEETING
Bldg. 10 Lower-Level Conference Room
March 29, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Minutes approved by HARC on October 29, 2013

Attendees: Chair Jim Jipson, Gayle Baugh, Kyle Marrero, John Reeves
Minutes prepared by Becky Luntsford

WELCOME

Chair Jim Jipson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions of committee members were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made, seconded and approved to approve the October 22, 2012 minutes with no revisions.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Committee Roles

Chair Jipson encouraged committee members to remain open to all nominations placed before them. He added these recognitions highlight UWF's academic stature within our region, extend goodwill, and confirm the value of higher education.

Timetable

Chair Jipson explained the timetable for HARC committee meetings is based on the timing involved for preparation and submission of nomination packets. Each packet must be submitted to and reviewed and approved by the Provost and the President prior to each committee meeting. He thanked committee members for being flexible with meeting dates and timeframes.

Members discussed the importance of carefully crafting the call for nominations message; proactively soliciting nominations through UWF Marketing and Creative Services; and informally discussing the process and importance of submitting nominations with colleagues on campus.

PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF HONOR CANDIDATE

There was consensus among committee members present to approve the nomination of Mr. Bruce Cheves to receive the Presidential Medal of Honor.

The nomination will be presented to the UWF Board of Trustees and with Board approval, the award presentation to take place at the December 2013 commencement.

Those present asked Chair Jipson and Kyle Marrero to write a letter to President Bense on behalf of the HARC that reemphasizes the terms and importance of an impartial and fair nomination process. These procedures must be followed when accepting all nominations, including those from Board of Trustee members, Foundation Board members, or other community members. The HARC committee members want to ensure the nomination, awards and recognition processes remain at the highest level of integrity.

HONORARY DEGREE CANDIDATE

There was consensus among committee members to approve the nomination of Mr. Jerry Maygarden to receive the LHD: Doctor of Humane Letters Honorary Degree and to invite Mr. Maygarden to be the December 2013 commencement speaker.

The nomination will be presented to the UWF Board of Trustees with the degree presentation to take place at the December 2013 commencement.

OTHER BUSINESS

No additional business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.