**SPECIAL NOTICES**

THEODORE DREISER DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH/ CREATIVITY AWARDS

The Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award recognizes work substantially completed at Indiana State University by regular, full-time members of the university faculty who have made outstanding contributions to their disciplines. Work completed to satisfy advanced degree requirements is not eligible for consideration. As many as two awards, consisting of a monetary award and a plaque, may be given each year. Faculty members who have previously received the award are ineligible for consideration for a four-year period. Faculty are encouraged to nominate eligible colleagues. Self-nominations will also be accepted. Nominations may be in letter or memo format and should be returned to the School of Graduate Studies, Erickson Hall, room 114, 812-237-3111, D-Bonsall@indstate.edu. Nominations are due December 16, 2002.

2002 CALEB MILLS DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARDS and FACULTY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

Nominations for the 2003 Caleb Mills Distinguished Teaching Award and the 2003 Faculty Distinguished Service Award are now being accepted at the Center for Teaching and Learning, Dreiser Hall, room 123. Both awards are two of ISU’s most prestigious, and faculty committees are currently being formed to review nominees for each award. The deadline for nominations is Monday, December 16, 2002. The University Handbook restricts nominations for the Caleb Mills Award to tenured faculty who have taught a minimum of 16 semester hours or 24 contact hours at ISU over the previous calendar year. Tenure status is also a minimum requirement for the Distinguished Service Award. Nomination for each award is by letter from administrators, faculty, students, and alumni. Both awards are announced at the spring commencement and awarded during the fall Faculty Honors Dinner.

The nomination deadline is Monday, December 16, 2002.
Nominations should be submitted to the Center for Teaching and Learning.

BLUMEBERG SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED FOR 2003-2004

One Blumberg Scholarship is awarded annually to an entering freshman. The value of the Blumberg Scholarship is $1,500 annually and is renewable for four years. Applicants must have SAT score of 1100 or better or an ACT total score of 24 or higher and high school ranking in the upper 10%. Applicants must have a professional interest in children with exceptionalities with the intent to major in Special Education or
Communication Disorders through the Department of Communication Disorders/Special Education at Indiana State University. The student selected will actively participate in Blumberg Center activities (up to 50 volunteer hours per semester) and in student-related activities in the Department of Communication Disorders and Special Education or the Department of Educational and School Psychology. Individuals with disabilities, and minority students, meeting the eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply. For further information go to http://web.indstate.edu/soe/blumberg

FINAL DRAFT OF REVISED CAPS MANUAL

The latest draft of the revised CAPS Manual and curriculum forms are posted at http://www.indstate.edu/acad-aff/facultyres.html. Many faculty, governance groups, and staff have provided suggestions that are very much appreciated. Each suggestion was considered and incorporated or the text was revised to clarify the intent or meaning. We wish to give a final opportunity for input prior to submitting the document to CAAC and the Graduate Council. Any additional reactions and suggestions should be sent to Mike Murphy, Pymurph@scifac.indstate.edu, or Karen Schmid, ascks@isugw.indstate.edu by Today, November 11.

ACADEMIC NOTES PUBLICATION SCHEDULE
FOR FALL 2002

Below is the circulation schedule for the hard copy of Academic Notes through December 9, 2002. An asterisk (*) indicates a curricular issue. All submissions for inclusion in Academic Notes are due in the Office of Academic Affairs no later than 10:00 a.m. on the Wednesdayª prior to the distribution of Academic Notes on the following Monday, along with an E-Mail or a diskette with the same information in Microsoft Word format. Failure to submit a diskette containing this information will delay publication. An electronic version of Academic Notes is available using Acrobat Reader via the ISU Web Page at – http://web.indstate.edu/acadnotes/ –.

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ªDue to holidays, the dates for submission and publication have been moved up or back a day.

FACULTY GOVERNMENT

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 5, 2002

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met Tuesday, November 5, 2002 at 3:15 in HMSU 227.

PRESIDENT BENJAMIN ADDRESSED

1) Budgets: Discussions with S. Jones of the Commission for Higher Education covered shortfalls in the state budget and downward adjustments in the Commission’s capital requests which could affect the University Hall project. The month’s funding withheld from last year’s budget will be restored in 2005; indications are that no additional funding will be cut.

2) Alumni meetings: There is a possibility for contact with Hammond’s Latino community.

PROVOST PONTIUS ADDRESSED

1) Updates: Exe. Comm. will receive the report of the Taskforce on Lifelong Learning to forward to AAC. The committee reviewing sabbatical leaves policy is considering recommending that the leaves process parallel the tenure and promotion process with feedback at every level of review. The Blue Ribbon Panel on Distance Education will be focusing on course evaluation. The executive committee of the Board of Trustees is preparing a response to the Senate’s motion on early access to 10% of TIAA-CREF funds.

2) Request for salary information: R. Gedrick has sent this to FEBC. F. Bell noted that it is not what was asked for, and contains errors.

CHAIR CERNY ADDRESSED

1) Handbook Preface: It should be withdrawn from the Board of Trustees’ November agenda. The draft had been accepted by Exe. Comm, distributed to the Senate for information, and submitted for administrative review, but it must be approved by the Senate before going to the Board.

FIFTEEN MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

1) Compensation committee: F. Bell noted changes in the composition and leadership of the committee since its initial meeting. President Benjamin has charged the committee, and there is now a strong desire to hire a consultant.

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

1) 2003 Health Benefits Plan: C. Barton presented a proposal developed by the Health Benefits Review Committee and reported its approval by FEBC. To expedite action by the Board of Trustees in November and timely implementation, a motion was passed to put FEBC’s recommendation to an e-mail Senate vote (pending receipt of the recommendation and its acceptance by Exe. Comm).

2) The committee went into executive session; a quorum was lost at 6:15 p.m.
FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 12, 2002 at 3:15 p.m., in the Hulman Memorial Student Union, room 227.

AGENDA

I. President Report
II. Approval of the Minutes
III. Provost Report
IV. Chair Report
V. Fifteen Minute Open Discussion
VI. Old Business
VII. Committee Liaison Reports

CURRICULUM AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Curriculum and Academic Affairs Committee will meet at 3:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 14, 2002 in Family and Consumer Sciences, room 110.

AGENDA

I. Approve Minutes from September 13, 2002 Meeting
II. Distribute Charges for the Year
III. Select a Representative for the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research and Creativity Awards Committee
IV. Present AEC Budget
V. Review Grant Proposals

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH COMMITTEE

The University Research Committee will meet at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, November 15, 2002 in Root Hall, room A-114.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes from 9/6 and 10/25 Meetings
II. Reports
THESSES, DISSERTATIONS, & RESEARCH PROJECTS

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES: History

Ms. Michelle Morahn will defend her thesis, entitled *I Hoped to Fell at Home: The Story of Elsie Strawn Armstrong*, at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, November 11, 2002 in Stalker Hall, room 205. The members of her committee are Dr. Christopher J. Olsen, Chairperson, Dr. Ann Short Chirhart, and Dr. William W. Giffin.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES: Life Sciences

Mr. Jim Aloor will defend his dissertation, entitled *A Study of the Role of Stathmin and SCG10 in Signal Transduction*, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 26, 2002 in the Science Building, room 12. The members of his committee are Dr. James Hughes, Chairperson, Dr. David Prentice, Dr. Mary Johnson, Dr. Gary Stuart, and Dr. Jing Chen.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Counseling

Ms. Robin Lemmon will defend her dissertation, entitled *The Relationship Between Correctional Officers Personality and Job Satisfaction, Performance and Turn Over*, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2002 in the School of Education, room 1414. The members of her committee are Dr. Michael Shuff, Chairperson, Dr. Christy L. Coleman, and Dr. Robert Huckabee.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Educational Leadership, Administrations, and Foundations

Ms. Deanna King will defend her dissertation, entitled *Implementation of An Assessment Center at a Post-Secondary Two-Year College: Faculty Stages of Concern*, at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, November 18, 2002 in the School of Education, room 1214. The members of her committee are Dr. Rebecca Libler, Chairperson, Dr. Robert Boyd, Dr. Dale Findley, Dr. Todd Whitaker, and Dr. Susan Powers.

Ms. Deloris Rogers will defend her dissertation, entitled *Leadership Preparation Experiences of Chief Academic Officers in Two Year Public Colleges*, at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, November 18, 2002 in the School of Education, room 1203. The members of her committee are Dr. Ron Leach, Chairperson, Dr. Joanne Burrows, Dr. Rod Rich, and Dr. Sandra Strasser.

FIELD TRIPS
Students from Elementary Education 100 – Initial Experiences in Elementary Education, will be taking a field trip on Tuesday, November 19, 2002 to visit two PDS sites in Indianapolis, Miller 114 and Brandes #65. A list of participating students is available from the Elementary and Early Childhood Education Department.

The Turner Coach buses are scheduled to leave from Indianapolis at 7:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:00 p.m. All student and faculty will travel on the buses.