TITLE: STUDENT SPEAKER FOR COLLEGE OF NURSING RECOGNITION CEREMONY

POLICY: A student will be selected to speak at the College of Nursing Recognition Ceremony

RATIONALE: To provide a student speaker at the College of Nursing Recognition Ceremony who best exemplifies the ideas and standards of his/her peers.

PROCEDURE: TIMELINES

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<td>September/October</td>
<td>1. Student Forum Committee will select the Student Speaker Selection Committee. The committee will be comprised of two senior students from each of the upper division campuses and two students from Bozeman. A faculty member, selected by the faculty liaison, shall serve on the committee as a regular voting member. The Student Forum Faculty Liaison, or the Student Speaker Selection Committee Faculty Member, will notify the College of Nursing Administrators and Faculty when applications are being accepted.</td>
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<td>November/December</td>
<td>2.a. Selection Committee will distribute application forms(^1) to each of the upper division campuses, and encourage students to apply.</td>
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<td>b. Applicants for Student Speaker at the College of Nursing Recognition Ceremony shall meet the following criterion:</td>
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<td>--Senior student who will be eligible to participate in the Recognition Ceremony the following May.</td>
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<td>January 31st</td>
<td>3. Deadline for applications, including peer and faculty recommendations, outline of proposed speech and biographical data to be submitted.</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>4.a. Names of applicants and recommenders will be removed from the forms by student forum liaison or designated faculty. A code number will be assigned to each applicant, and marked at the top of each application and recommendation form.</td>
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<td>b. Each application will be reviewed and independently scored by the selection committee.(^2)</td>
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\(^1\) See the Student Forum Faculty Liaison for a current copy of the application forms.
\(^2\) See the Student Forum Faculty Liaison for a current copy of the scoring sheets.
c. Total possible points for the general application will be 120.

(1) **Leadership/Service** in the College of Nursing, University, Community, and/or Nursing Profession. **(45 POINTS):** Based on quantity of activities listed on application form; quality of participation as evaluated by student peer.

(2) **Scholarly/Clinical Activity:** **(35 POINTS):** Based on Academic Awards, Honors, Scholarships received; faculty evaluation of academic and clinical performance.

(3) **Knowledge of the Professional Nursing Role, Vision for Nursing in the Future.** **(20 POINTS):** Based on answers to questions on application; recommendations from faculty member and student peer.

(4) **Speaking Ability** **(20 POINTS):** Based on student and faculty ratings and comments related to speaking ability.

d. The scores received from the reviewers will be averaged--therefore the highest possible score = 120.

March 1st 5. Selection committee members will receive all application/speech packets from faculty liaison.

2nd-3rd week of March 6. Selection Committee will meet to discuss and select the candidate. Finalist will be chosen based on the general (120 points possible) application and evaluation of proposed speech (80 points possible): knowledge of the professional nursing role (20 points); vision for nursing for the future (20 points); ideas that exemplify the spirit of the class of ____ (20 points); organization of thoughts/ideas (10 points); clarity of expression (10 points).

3rd-4th week of March 7. Selection Committee will notify the finalists ASAP.

April 1st 8. Selection Committee chair provides the SRC Committee Chair with the name of the finalist.

April/May 9. Selection Committee will continue to work with the finalist as needed to refine the speech.
1. The Chair of the Student Speaker Selection Committee, selected by members of the committee, shall keep Student Forum Committee apprised of the selection activities.

2. An applicant for the Student Speaker is ineligible to serve on the Selection Committee.

3. Committee members shall be required to maintain strict confidentiality when dealing with information contained on the application or discussion during the selection process.

4. The Student Forum Faculty Liaison will be responsible for:
   a. Receiving applications and recommendations
   b. Removing the names of applicants and recommenders
   c. Assigning a Code # for each applicant and writing this at the top of each application and recommendation
   d. Forwarding copies of the coded applications and recommendations to the Chair of the Selection Committee
   e. Maintaining a file of the original applications and recommendations, as well as the names of applicants and their assigned code numbers.

Approved by:

Service and Resource Committee: 4/8/97
College Council: 4/25/97
Dean: 6/1/97