



Commencement Speakers Committee

Annual Report for 2003 - 2004

Members

The members of the Commencement Speakers Committee during this academic year were

Dr. Clayton N. Pheasant, Chair
Dr. Louis Furmanski, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Dr. Devorah Namm, Dean, of the College of Creative Arts and Management
Dr. Lois Draina, Dean of the College of Education and Human Development
Dr. Ronald Bulbulian, Dean of the College of Health and Human Services
Sister Cor Immaculatum Heffernan, IHM, Art Department
Dr. John R. Connelly, Education Department
Dr. Marianne E. Borja, Nutrition and Dietetics Department
Dr. Helen Bittel, English Department
Dr. John Barrett, Social Sciences Department
Meredith Force, '04, President of the Student Government Association
Liz Konanez, '04

Meetings

During 2003-2004, two meetings of the Commencement Speakers Committee were held. In addition, e-mail communications were sent to Committee members.

The minutes were taken and distributed by Patti Munley-Cerda, Executive Secretary. Information on the speaker candidates was sent to all Committee members prior to the meetings.

Accomplishments

Nominations of speakers were solicited from students through student representatives, from faculty through faculty representatives and from the President's Cabinet. The Director of Prospect Research researched suggested persons for fit with University core values.

After thorough reviews of the information on each speaker candidate, a prioritized list was prepared and presented to the President of the University for her review and final decision regarding the speaker.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Clayton N. Pheasant
Vice President for University Advancement