On behalf of the Student Award Selection Committee, I am writing to report on our activities during the 2012-2013 academic year. We met twice, once to interview candidates for Commencement Speaker and once to determine finalists for the various university-level graduation awards within our purview.

The slate of candidates for Commencement Speaker was very strong this year, yet Joseph Stoney stood out to the committee as a clear front-runner. The interview process went very smoothly, the only suggestion being that next year each candidate should submit the most recent version of their speech at least 24hrs in advance so that Rosetta can copy and distribute it to the committee during the interview process in the even of any last-minute changes.

The Memorial Awards meeting encountered a few more bumps. This was the first time the committee had used Dropbox for all the files, and organizing them could definitely be streamlined for next year. Of particular concern was the fact that students that applied for multiple awards did not always have complete files in each award folder on dropbox, and some that were on the spreadsheet for certain awards did not have application files for them. As a result, at least one candidate was selected but was later replaced due to ineligibility. Rosetta has suggested that this will work much more smoothly next year.

All members of the committee remarked on how much they enjoyed the process, and I am hopeful that many will choose to renew their terms.

Respectfully submitted,

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