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**To:** President Wallace D. Loh  
**From:** Carolyn Trimble, Chair  
Senate Staff Affairs Committee

**RE: Recommended Nominees for 2013-2014 Board of Regents' USM Staff Awards**

Each year, the Council of University System Staff (CUSS) accepts nominations for the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents' (BOR) Staff Awards. These awards present an excellent opportunity for USM institutions to recognize outstanding staff members, and they represent the highest honor bestowed by the BOR for achievements of Non-Exempt and Exempt Staff employees on the basis of demonstrated excellence in one of four award categories. Eight individuals within the USM will be chosen to receive awards, and each award recipient will receive a \$1,000 stipend and formal recognition by the BOR.

In accordance with BOR Policy, the nominations must be reviewed at each institution before submission to the CUSS Awards Review Committee. At College Park, the University Senate Staff Affairs Committee (representative of all classifications of employees) reviews the nomination packages and submits recommendations to the President. The President sends the final campus recommendations to the CUSS Awards Review Committee for consideration. CUSS will select the final USM candidates to be submitted to the BOR. Recipients will be announced in early summer with formal presentation of the award recipients by the BOR in early Fall 2014.

On behalf of the Senate Staff Affairs Committee, it is my pleasure to recommend the following campus nominees for the 2013-2014 USM BOR Staff Awards:

1. For Exceptional Contribution to the Institution and/or Unit to which the Person Belongs

Exempt: **June Sherer**, Director of Finance & Administration  
Departments of Atmospheric & Oceanic Science (AOSC) and Geology (GEOL)

Non-Exempt: **John Snyder**, Multi-Trades Chief II / Welder  
Facilities Management, Building & Landscape Services / Groundskeeping

2. For Extraordinary Public Service to the University or to the Greater Community

Exempt: **Joseph Smith**, Office Manager / IRB Manager / COI Administrator  
Division of Research, Research Compliance Office

Non-Exempt: **Paige Miller**, Sergeant / University Police Officer IV  
Department of Public Safety

3. For Outstanding Service to Students in an Academic or Residential Environment

Exempt: **Bryan Quinn**, Director of Technical Operations  
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Non-Exempt: **Dianne Barrett**, Program Management Specialist I  
Office of the Registrar, Records Unit

4. Effectiveness and Efficiency Award

Academic Transformation: *None*  
(Exempt or Non-Exempt)

Administrative Transformation: **Dawn Myers**, Director of Business and Finance, Exempt Staff  
(Exempt or Non-Exempt) Department of Physics

In total, we reviewed 16 exempt and 4 non-exempt nominations. All of the nominees are exceptional members of our University community. Since CUSS has requested that nominations be sent via email, the seven nomination packets of the recommended nominees will be emailed to your office as PDF files. A compact disc with the same files is enclosed. We have also included hard copies of the nomination packages for your reference.

Please contact me if I may be of further assistance. I can be reached at 301-405-5648 or via email at [ctrimble@umd.edu](mailto:ctrimble@umd.edu).

Cc: Michele A. Eastman, Assistant President and Chief of Staff  
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Enclosure(s)

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