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Nominations for the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs Search Committee

- 1. Purpose for submitting:** *Submitting for approval*
- 2. Type of proposal:** *Other*
- 3. Specific action being requested:** *New*
- 4. Proposer:** *Joe Sottile*
- 5. Affiliation of proposer:**
- 6. Proposal submitted on behalf of another unit or organization**
 - 6.a. If "Yes," name of the submitting unit/organization:**
- 7. Rationale for proposal:**

The Senate Council asked the Nominating Committee to identify 3 - 5 individuals to serve on the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs Search Committee. We are not aware of any restrictions for nominees, other than being full-time faculty.
- 8. Does the proposal include a change to the Senate Rules?**

Not applicable

 - 8.a. If "Yes," what section of the Senate Rules?**
 - 8.b. If "Yes," what is the requested effective date?**
- 9. If asking for feedback, how will the feedback be used?**

The Senate Nominating Committee has nominated the five individuals listed below to be considered for serving on the search committee for the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs.

Chana K. Akins, Professor, Department of Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Akins' research areas include the etiology of drug and alcohol abuse, alcohol and drug-associated cues and relapse, and alcohol abuse. Dr. Akins is a senior faculty member and has worked in the Provost's Office on faculty development and the WELD program. She would bring considerable expertise and experience to the committee.

Kristine Urschel, Associate Professor, Department of Animal and Food Sciences, Assistant Dean for Instruction, Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food, and Environment

Dr. Urschel's primary teaching responsibility is ASC 325, Animal Physiology. This course is a required course for students in the Animal Science program, an emphasis area course for students in the Equine Science and Management program, an approved elective for students in the Natural Resources and Environmental Science and the Sustainable Agriculture and Community Food Systems programs. This course is also frequently taken by Agricultural and Medical Biotechnology students. Kristine serves on the UK Faculty Senate and was recently recognized for her efforts related to new course approvals. She chairs the Undergraduate Council, which is one of the three academic councils housed under the University Senate.

Ying (Tracy) Lu, Associate Professor, Department of Retailing and Tourism Management, School of Human Environmental Sciences, Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment

Dr. Lu's research is in hospitality and event management and she is the Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal of Hospitality and Event Management (IJHEM). Her research focuses on consumer behaviors in event and service settings, particularly on the topics of social media use, customer engagement, loyalty, and interactive experiences in local communities and travel destinations. She has done consulting work in the U.S., Europe, Australia, Mainland China, and Macau SAR and has gained professional experience in both academic and industry positions.

DaMaris B. Hill, PhD, Professor, English, College of Arts and Sciences, Faculty Affiliate for Writing, Rhetoric and Digital Studies, Faculty Affiliate for African American Studies, Faculty Affiliate for Gender and Women's Studies, Commonwealth Institute for Black Studies

Dr. Hill is a senior faculty member who is associated with several programs in Arts and Sciences. She would bring a wealth of UK knowledge and a number of important perspectives to the committee, including that of the humanities.

Janice Kuperstein, Professor, Department of Physical Therapy, Associate Dean for Faculty Advancement and Clinical Engagement, College Diversity Officer, College of Health Sciences

Dr. Kuperstein received her M.S.Ed. in Clinical and College Teaching with an emphasis in Health Care Administration and her Ph.D. in Gerontology from the University of Kentucky. She also serves as the Administrative Liaison to the Center for Rural Health Academic Programs and the Diversity Officer for the college. Dr. Kuperstein is a Distinguished Fellow of the National Academies of Practice.