The following procedures are a revision of those previously approved and adopted by the College of Education faculty on November 13, 1998 and revised March 29, 2006.

**Rationale**

University Faculty Scholars Awards were created to carry out the proposal outlined in a memorandum from Robert L. Ringel dated August 28, 1998 entitled, “Proposal to Establish a University Faculty Scholars Recognition Program.” This document guides the academic schools or colleges as they participate in the program.

The purpose of the University Faculty Scholars Awards is to recruit, recognize and retain faculty of national caliber and potential academic distinction. The award recognizes outstanding faculty members at the West Lafayette campus who are on an accelerated path for academic distinction. The award process must allow for flexible decision making by those who negotiate faculty contracts. Thus, it is the charter of the Dean’s Office of the College of Education and the Provost to make awards in a manner consistent with the University document and the procedures and policy noted below. These appointments should be used to carry out the strategic goals of the College of Education.

**Policy and Procedures**

The Dean shall have responsibility for soliciting nominations and selecting Faculty Scholars. As needed, the Office of the Dean shall solicit and accept nominations for the Award, including self nomination, from among the faculty members that are eligible. Per university policy, eligible faculty members must hold the rank of tenured associate or full professor and have been in rank for no more than five years. The names of award nominees should be supported by a statement of nomination, no more than 1-2 pages in length, and the candidate’s CV. No letters of support should be solicited or accepted.

The Dean’s Leadership Team (the Dean, Associate Deans, and Heads of Departments, etc.) will review the nominations and make recommendations to the Dean. Criteria for review shall include: the quality and impact of the nominee’s scholarly work in the field, productivity (e.g., publications, grants), and potential for academic distinction. The Dean will make the final selection, which will be forwarded to the Provost for action.