Principal Investigators Luncheon to honor contributors to the Research Enterprise while fulfilling the University’s Mission
FAMU President James H. Ammons, Ph.D. to keynote

FAMU Division of Research (DoR), Tallahassee, FL—With President James H. Ammons serving as keynote speaker, The Recognition of Research Excellence luncheon takes center stage on Friday, April 23, 2010 as eight prolific principal investigators are honored. This event establishes the Institutional Researcher of the Year Awards at FAMU. The selection process for the principal investigators (PIs) was a rigorous undertaking by a 13-member multidisciplinary committee. The eight individual award recipients were selected from a nomination pool of 16 in these categories:

1. Distinguished Research Award
2. Research Excellence Award
3. Emerging Researcher Award

Nominations opened Monday, November 16, 2009 and closed Monday, December 21, 2009. Nominees were contacted by Friday, January 29, 2010 and applications were submitted to the Office of the Faculty Senate by Monday, March 1, 2010.

Evaluations of the nominees’ packets were conducted and finalists were interviewed earlier this Spring semester. Recommendations of Research Award Recipients were submitted to the Office of the Faculty Senate on Monday, April 5, 2010. A total of $23,000 will be awarded during the Friday, April 23rd presentation, courtesy of the FAMU DoR.

DoR Vice President Larry Robinson, Ph.D., commends the earnest work of all entities involved, and congratulates the active pursuit of research excellence with caring of the eight honorees and all nominees to be acknowledged during The Recognition of Research Excellence luncheon.

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