

**Mississippi Dietetic Association
Nominating Committee Report
January 29, 2010**

Report of Activities:

The nominating committee met monthly by conference call and contacted district associations and individuals to secure nominations for the MDA ballot for 2010-11 and nominations for the MDA awards.

MDA Awards

The following individuals have been nominated for an award:

1. Outstanding Dietitian of the Year (ODY)

Jacinda Roach (Central)
Carol Connell (South Central)
Michelle Lee (Northeast)

Janie Cole (Ole Miss)
Holly Ferguson (member nomination)
Amanda Sullivan (member nomination)

2. Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year

Tiffani Grant (Central)
Sharla Smith (South Central)

Jenna Moore (Northeast)

3. Emerging Dietetic Leader

Kelly White (Northeast)
Lacey McLaurin (south central)

4. Magnolia Award

Dr. Linda Chitwood (Ole Miss faculty)
Dr. Jerome Kolbo (south central)

Dr. Michael Mabry (northeast)

The nominating committee submits the following proposed ballot for 2010-11:

President-Elect: Jacinda Roach

Treasurer: Laurel Lambert (Northwest), Urmila Mota (Central)

Chair-Elect, Council on Professional Issues: Ashley Mangialardi (Central)

Chair-Elect, Education and Research: Keith Rushing (south central); Nikki Yeatman (northeast)

Nominating Committee: Ashley Faggard (Gulf Coast); Tiffani Grant (central); Lacey McLaurin (south central)

Financial Report:

No reimbursement requested

Plans:

- Post MDA ballot on web site and have members vote from February 15th-March 15th.
- Mail a thank you note to each candidate for his or her willingness to run in the upcoming election.
- Convene the award selection committee, review award nominees and select recipients.
- Submit awardees to ADA for national recognition as appropriate (ODY, RYDY, EDL)
- Assist the president with selecting a teller committee.

Motion:

- The nominating committee presents the proposed 2010-11 ballot for board approval.
- The nominating committee recommends
 - a) that we make an exception to the Magnolia Award criteria to accept nomination from

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- other than district association and practice groups
b) that we change the P&P for the Magnolia Award to allow same
- If BOD approves ballot as presented by committee, the nominating committee requests that the board appoint “a successor to serve the unexpired term [1 year]” of Jacinda Roach, and approve Michelle Lee serving as Nominating Committee chair for 2010-11 (normally her year as chair-elect) and 2011-12.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Katherine Yadrick".

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Yadrick, PhD, RD, LD
Nominating Committee Chair