

**William Paterson University  
Research and Scholarship Council  
Meeting Minutes**

Date: Sep 22, 2015

Location: Raubinger Hall, Room 309 Conference Room

**Present**

Jorge Arevalo (COB)  
Pam Theus (Library)  
Lucia McMahon (COHSS)  
Martin Williams (Co-Administrative Liaison)  
David Gilley (COS&H)  
Lisa Warner (COE)  
Professional Staff: OPEN  
Secretary: shared rotation by alphabet

**Not Present**

Lilian Prince (COA&C)  
Annette Baron (Adjunct Faculty – COB)

**Minutes**

1. The meeting started at 12:32 pm.  
David Gilley distributed materials on Open Access / Draft of Faculty Application, as well as list of Recommendations from the 2014 Survey of Faculty Needs for RSCE summary section of council report.
2. Election of new co-chair for the council: Pam Theus and Lisa Warner agreed to serve as co-chairs for the Fall 2015, Spring 2016 terms.
3. Open Access (OA) conversation: Richard Kearny came to the meeting to offer some updates as to the OA progress the university has been making towards this policy. Some statistics and information was passed as to the importance of having OA for our publications and the costs involved in the process.
  - a. An initial University wide forum took place in 2013, followed by a College of Science and Health Forum in 2014, with a meeting with the provost now in 2015.
  - b. A new fund has been approved (10K) and appointed to the Library to cover article processing charges – for those interested in applying once publications have been confirmed. We discussed the possibility of having a council member participate in this committee as the policy moves forward. Directly involved will be Pam Theus, Richard Kearny, and David Gilley agreed to be the council's representative on this initiative.
  - c. An application form has been generated by David, and the Library will disseminate more information as it becomes available.
  - d. Questions were raised as to the high costs involved and whether the 10k will meet the demand of applications. There were also concerns as to the stage of the acceptance process and the requirements of those outlets processing OA options.
  - e. Questions were also raised as to the drafting of the policy itself for our university including issues with repository, faculty protection of their copy right options, the access to the most research invested colleges.
4. R&S Council sub-committees: based on the Senate charges below, we agreed that
  - a. Pam, Martin and Jorge will work on charge a. which will focus on working together with Group I&I Inc. as the university seeks to further develop a culture of RSCE.
  - b. Pam, Martin and Jorge will also work on charge b. which will seek to extend Research & Scholarship week, and unite more RSCE related events into one single week.
  - c. David and Lucia agreed to work on charge c.
  - d. Not enough time was available to discuss who would team up to take charge d. See Senate charges below

### **Research and Scholarship Senate Charges, 2015**

- a. Participate and contribute to the efforts of Developing a Culture of Research and Research Funding Initiative being conducted by Group I&I Inc. in collaboration with the OSP.
  - b. Continue to improve the development and effectiveness of WPU's new Research and Scholarship Week which is intended to extend the promotion of faculty RSCE and the collaboration with other campus groups involved in student-faculty RSCE.
  - c. Work with the Library to continue to educate faculty about the issues related to open-access publication, including considerations for promotion decisions, funding models for article processing fees, and adoption of a university open-access policy.
  - d. Draft a senate response to recent change of procedure for Independent Studies.
5. Any additional information, notes after Jorge's departure at 1:30, please fill in here starting at no. 5

Meeting adjourned at 1:?? pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jorge Arevalo, CCOB