

Senate Research & Scholarship Council Meeting
Minutes for Thursday, September 22, 2016

Present: Kate Makarec, Senate Chair, Klive Oh (COAC), Tao Guo (COB), Lisa Warner (COE), So Yon Rim (COHSS), Carey Waldburger (COSH), Pamela Theus (Library), William Davis (COB, Professional Staff), Kwan-Lamar Blount-Hill (COHSS, Adjunct), Maureen Peters (OSP).

1. The meeting began with a welcome from Senate Chair Kate Makarec, and a review of the standing charges for the R&S Council. Next, recommended charges for FY2016-2017 were reviewed. Revisions will be made to the recommended charges.
2. R&S Council members introduced themselves. Voting results established that this year's Chair is Lisa Warner and Co-chair is Pamela Theus. Meeting minutes will be done on a rotating, alphabetical basis. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 27th (Common Hour, Raubinger 309).
3. Discussion centered on having members divide into sub-groups to work on different charges and issues relevant to the Council. New members will review documents from last year (faculty survey, independent study report, i&i group report) to help decide what sub-group interests them. Guo will investigate and create an archive/Blackboard group shell that can hold all of the documents that need to be accessed/shared.

Issues/charges discussion

4. Independent Study: David Gilley presented his Independent Study report at the recent Senate meeting. Although there was not a large response to the survey, indications were that Colleges had different criteria and approval procedures for awarding independent study. Council's charge for this year is to develop the next steps for independent study. (Note bene: At the Senate meeting it was recommended that Council review the wording in the catalog, as that might be outdated). Sub-committee to date: Waldburger, Rim.
5. Review Open Access policy and application: There was a \$10,000 pilot program in FY16 to help faculty with publishing fees for inclusion into open access journals. It took a while for the guidelines to be finalized, and all of the funds were not used. Presently, it is unclear whether there will be funds available in FY17 to continue the program. Council is to review and revise the Open Access application and award process. Theus will touch base with Richard Kearney who is the lead person on Open Access. Sub-committee to date: Theus, Waldburger, Rim.
6. Research & Scholarship Month: Discussion centered on the many parts of Explorations – the R&S Council's umbrella for all r,s,ce activities sponsored by various entities on campus. In FY17, R,S,CE Week is April 4-7. That week will include Posters and College sponsored sessions. The Author's Reception and Grant

Award Recipients program is Tuesday, April 18th. This year, Qualtrics will be used to submit abstracts, etc.

7. Discussion also centered on trying to increase faculty and student attendance at the College sponsored sessions. Waldburger noted that it is probably difficult to increase attendance at the COSH EXPLORATIONS sponsored sessions because faculty & students will have recently attended the COSH student research presentations. It was recommended that PIVOT be used to match research interests across colleges.
8. Last year, Council sponsored the University's first conference on Advancing Research. It was well received. This year's conference will probably focus on creative expression.
9. Council sponsored a demonstration of Digital Measures last year, and the University has now purchased a site license. Davis is on the implementation team. The software may be up and running by the end of this academic year.
10. There was some discussion about the faculty survey. Council members must also read and consider the i&i report commissioned by the University for OSP. Council may want to bring forward 2 or 3 proposals to the Senate based on survey responses and working with the Deans. Warner mentioned that there is a PowerPoint file that may be of interest to Council members. Council members were also interested in the raw data for each individual College. Council members asked: How does adjuncts not participating in research affect student involvement? What about practical research?
11. Council members should come to the next meeting with some idea about the sub-committees they are interested in.

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