

Minutes
Research, Scholarship, and Creative Expression Council Meeting
September 29, 2021 – 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

Present: Chair Nick Hirshon (COAC), Debbie Mohammed (COSH), Jan Pinkston (Professional Staff), Christine Bravo (OSP), Kate Boschert (OSP), Wendy Christensen (Faculty Senate), Dave Williams (Library), Richard Huizar (COHSS), Gladys Vega (OSP), Babita Srivastava (CCOB), Tom Fallace (COE). **Absent:** Andrey Kretinin (CCOB)

1) Approval of Agenda

D. Williams moved to approve the agenda, B. Srivastava seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Election of Secretary

D. Williams volunteered.

3) Council Charges

W. Christensen indicated that the first two Council charges are from the list previously drafted by the Senate, with one exception: the Provost added a charge regarding expanding opportunities for student and faculty collaborative research. N. Hirshon suggested the Provost's office could discuss the supporting NSSE/FSSE data, and W. Christensen agreed to recommend Associate Provost Jonathan Lincoln address the Council on this topic.

T. Fallace proposed that the reports compiled on the previous charges be presented to the Senate with a request for clarification on additional requirements. N. Hirshon agreed that the second charge was essentially completed, and a presentation on the results could be made if needed. G. Vega suggested a summary could be added to facilitate a presentation.

N. Hirshon requested additional information on the new charge from the Provost's office, considering the possibility that student research partnerships could inform the allocation of additional research time.

4) Nominations and Elections

D. Williams nominated N. Hirshon as Chair, B. Srivastava seconded. N. Hirshon nominated D. Mohammed as Co-Chair, J. Pinkston seconded. Both nominees elected unanimously.

N. Hirshon moved to adopt a tool for randomly assigning secretarial duties, for the purpose of taking minutes at upcoming meetings, J. Pinkston seconded. Motion approved unanimously

5) Explorations 2022

C. Bravo informed the Council that G. Vega and K. Boschert will assume Martin Williams' administrative role for the annual Explorations events. She encouraged the Colleges to design their Explorations programming activities according to their preferences, and decide on holding them as virtual or in-person events.

6) New Business

N. Hirshon asked if the Council should continue meeting virtually for the remainder of the academic year. The consensus was in favor of the practice.

D. Williams made motion to adjourn meeting. T. Fallace seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Williams