

APPROVED Minutes

Research and Scholarship Subcommittee of Shared Campus Governance

November 23, 2015, EduE 142, 1 – 3pm

Approved December 7, 2015

Present: Aydin Durgunoglu (*Chair*, CEHSP), Matt Andrews (SCSE), Joellyn Rock (SFA), Paul Kiprof (Interim Director of Research Administration), Valerie Brady (MN SeaGrant), Jon L. Pierce (LSBE), Euan Reavie (NRRI), Jill Doerfler (CLA), Shixing Wen (Library), Kevin Wu (ITSS), David Beard (*Vice-chair*; Graduate Council), Carlos Carranza-Torres (Graduate Council)

Guest: Denny Falk

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm.

1. Denny Falk is preparing the Higher Learning Commission Quality Initiative (HLCQI) report that is part of the UMD's accreditation process. He discussed the most recent efforts on critical reflection and continuous improvement, especially as they relate to Goal 4 of the Strategic plan and the charge of the R&S subcommittee. (Goal 4: Advance UMD's stature as a major campus for research and creative activities, leveraging our region's unique natural, human, and cultural resources.) He introduced the objectives under this goal and the measures that will be used. There was discussion on the measures and some modifications.
Another topic was the kind of data R&S subcommittee accesses and uses, such as the ICR data, Paul Kiprof's annual report on research at UMD. There was also a question about what additional information is needed. Suggestions: cost pool dollars especially as they relate to research, number of sabbatical and single semester leaves. HLCQI report is due in August 2016.
2. Paul Kiprof announced an effort to tie in Goal 2 (diversity) with research. He and Paula Pedersen are inviting Karl Lorenz (CFANS from the Twin Cities) to give a talk. More information will be forthcoming.
3. Discussion of October 26, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion to approve was made by Jon, seconded by Jill, and approved without revisions with all in favor, one abstention.
4. Update on Faculty Council meetings. Aydin provided a summary of topics on the Faculty Council agenda: academic calendar, faculty leave program feedback requested by the Twin Cities, existing recurring budget deficit, governance structure, Steve Keto's visit.
5. Updates on the EVCAA R&S Grant submissions. SFA, CLA had quite a few proposals and had to decrease some of the funding per proposal to make funds available to a larger number of people. (for example, awarding a fixed amount of summer support). There were some discussion about incorrect budget figures on some proposals, ensuring that term faculty are included in the funding, how "need" was defined when evaluating the proposals. Also emphasized was the importance of defining a project clearly, justifying the budget, and being concise in both the content and the title. Also proposed was including samples of successful applications.

6. Update on the Director of Research search. The search committee for the Research Director position had recommended a stronger title for this position. "Dean of Research" as the title was approved unanimously by all who were present. (Jon moved, Joellyn seconded)