

COMMISSION ON RESEARCH

Minutes

March 19, 2014

325 Burruss Conference Room

3:30pm – 5:00pm

Attendee: Jesus de la Garza (Chair), Jewell Trent, Michael Bertelsen, Sandra Muse (for Bill Knocke), Anna Hawthorne (for Sue Teel), Tom Inzana, Nathan Hall, Martin Daniel (for Bob Walters), Annie Pearce, Mike Akers, Paul Knox, Jonah Fogel, Tom Ewing (for Anita Puckett), Lay Nam Chang, Lenny Grant and Wendy Vaughn (recorder).

Absent: France Belanger (Vice Chair), Iuliana Lazar, Ben Knapp, Jacob Randall, Chris Lawrence, Jonah Fogel, and Randy Wynne

Guest: Peggy Layne, Bill Huckle

- I. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

- II. Announcements
 - a. Posting of the Minutes of December 11, 2013* – J. de la Garza - A motion was made and seconded to post the minutes. The motion carried.
 - b. Posting of the Minutes of March 5, 2014* - J. de la Garza - A motion was made and seconded to post the minutes. The motion carried.
 - c. Dr. Walters will speak at the April 9, 2014 meeting.

- III. Unfinished Business
 - a. Report of Ongoing Activities
 - i. University Library Committee – N. Hall reported on the support for collections and facilities. The Library is partnering with ICAT on studio space in the bottom of the library. The Library is hiring an Engineering Infomaticist which will be jointly funded by the College of Engineering and the Library.
 - ii. Centers and Institutes Update – W. Knocke - No Report.
 - iii. Research Faculty Initiatives
 1. HR Sub-committee – M. Akers reported the sub-committee created three sub groups and have met numerous times. He hopes to have a draft of the working document for discussion at the next COR meeting.

- i. Research Administration – M. Daniel reported RAS (Research Administrative Systems) came to a crossroads before the holidays and a new technical direction was adopted. This will facilitate development of customized solutions to research systems administration. As a result, the management structure has been revised and a new structure is being developed. Thus, there will be a new project team consisting of staff from the VP for Information Technology on the Office of the Vice President for Research. One completed project that was just released is an improved view of financial data related to sponsored programs. This view enabled a PI to review financial data in a format that is like a bank statement. There will be some additional views that will be developed to enhance access to information.

IV. New Business

- a. Second Reading of COR Resolution FY2013-14A, Resolution to Change Membership to the Commission on Research – B. Huckle presented the second reading of the resolution. A resolution revision since the first reading clarified new members would be elected. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the resolution. The motion carried.
- b. Review of UCLA case and Safety Protocols in Laboratories – J. Merola Postponed until April 9th meeting.

V. Adjournment: A motion was made and carried.