

## COMMISSION ON RESEARCH

October 12, 2016

130 Burruss Conference Room

3:30pm – 5:00pm

### Minutes

Attendee: Benjamin Corl (Chair), Srinath Ekkad, Martin Daniel (for Theresa Mayer), Tammy Trimble (for Myra Blanco), Jennifer Irish (Vice-Chair), Kurt Zimmerman, Scott Klopfer, Bruce Vogelaar, Tom Bell, John Lipsey (for Van Crowder), Steve Nagle, Dipankar Chakravarti, Randy Wynne (for Kevin McGuire), Saied Mostaghimi, Barbara Lockee, Andrew Neilson, Nancy Dudek, Samantha Fried and Monica Rich (recorder)

Absent: Cheryl Carrico, Sally Morton and Stefan Duma, Julie Speer (for Ginny Pannabecker)

Guest: Sandra Muse, Peggy Layne, and Ken Miller

- I. Approval of the Agenda - A motion was made and the agenda was approved.
- II. Announcements
  - a. Approval of the Minutes of September 14, 2016 – The meeting minutes were approved electronically.
  - b. This Monday's University Council meeting will have a presentation by Dr. Jack Finney on the integration of faculty from the VT Carilion School of Medicine.
- III. Unfinished Business
  - a. Report of Ongoing Activities
    - i. University Library Committee – J. Speer reported celebrating Open Access in two weeks.
    - ii. Update from Faculty Senate – B. Vogelaar reported the faculty senate's desire to set up sub committees to address four different areas of committee work; one of them includes research. This could potentially have an impact on Commission on Research.
  - b. Centers and Institutes Update – S. Ekkad reported Macromolecules Interfaces Institute (MII) is no longer a university center, resulting in a need for a new charter to be completed. MII is now Macromolecules Innovation Institute under ICTAS.
  - c. Committee on Research Competitiveness – B. Lockee reported that they have recruited new members to include Kurt Zimmerman and Nancy Dudek. There will be a meeting planned soon.
  - d. Project Site Migration – B. Corl reported that with the dissolving of Scholar the commission would like to have Scott Midkiff and Dale Pike come in to go over alternatives that will provide secure sites and offer active training. A request was made to bring an itemized list of any concerns to the next commission meeting. Also ideas on getting the message out.
- IV. New Business
  - a. Presentation on Open Access and Peer Institutions' Policies – Julie Speer made a presentation (see the presentation attached).
  - b. Open Access Discussion and Policy Need – B. Corl led a discussion to determine if the COR would want to pursue a resolution and policy of Open Access.
- V. Adjournment – 4:35pm