

## Research Planning and Policy Committee

12:00 – 1:00 PM – October 11, 2019

### Minutes

**Present:** Tracy Turner, Ulrike Passe, Emily Hayden, Jeff Essner, Martin Thuo, Iddo Friedberg, VPR Nusser, Jennifer Margrett (Chair)

**Absent:** Ranjan Maitra

- I. Introductions
- II. Minutes approval
- III. Faculty Senate Resource Policies and Allocations Council: Relevant update and ensuing discussion
  - a. Workday and PIs
    - i. Continue to funnel specific needs to VPR Nusser
    - ii. Resources needed
      1. Need a page for all faculty; suggested presentation/workshop for departments
      2. Lunch and office hours with ISD finance staff
      3. New terms need to be explicated (e.g., CCFA)
    - iii. Questions and needs
      1. Concerns about lack of visibility and conversely, access to sensitive data
        - a. Differential: Lack of one go-to person; cycles of communication and starting over with requests
        - b. Ensure appropriate access
      2. PI incentives do not appear to be visible
      3. Rename e-mails as they look like spam
      4. Is it possible to have one contact for a PI?
      5. UG employees
        - a. Need local approval as errors can occur with higher-level, centralized approval
        - b. Checking in and out is difficult and UGs cannot correct themselves
- IV. Other
  - a. Thank you to VPR Nusser for leadership and search committee
  - b. Undergraduate research; Center for Undergraduate Research, Creativity and Innovation (CURCI)
    - i. Vet Med recruitment and logistic difficulties (bus runs once/hour): visibility, transportation to Vet Med campus; R15 eligible that reflects opportunities

- ii. Topically organize the UGA symposia series
- iii. Match making portal
- iv. Research Day at the university level as well as satellite research seminars  
→ forward to the Research Day Committee
- v. Differential tuition to help adviser match make
- vi. Need to articulate benefits of UG research; Rationale for growth; existence of metrics
  - 1. Funding
    - a. Center initiated/facilitated applications
  - 2. Ease and recognition
    - a. Assistant Professor and addition to PRS
    - b. Make it easier for faculty; incentivize and support; training course; skill building; Lab specificity
    - c. Training for faculty
    - d. UGs teach each other; models that work
    - e. CURE developmental bio...lab class eligible every year (4x)
    - f. Design: peer mentoring classes
    - g. <https://seaphages.org/>
  - 3. Consortium of labs with common interests...PIs work together and get funding
- V. Communication with faculty (e.g., opportunities and resources such as Research Insights, talk with ADR)
- VI. Bridging research and economic development activities (e.g., Startup Factory/NSF I-Corps site/Research Park)
- VII. VPR Nusser: Any updates or needs
  - a. None
- VIII. Items from the floor
  - a. None
- IX. Future agenda items
  - a. Follow-up: Research Insights and general communication to faculty
  - b. International collaborations and disclosures
  - c. Economic development and industry relations; Research Park connections
  - d. Revisit RPP description in the Senate Procedures Manual

Next meeting:

November 1, 2019, 12:10-1:00pm, Lab of Mechanics