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Research Council (RC) Minutes

Date: September 11, 2013

In attendance: Alejandro Brice, Deby Cassill, Scott Geiger, Deb Henry, Charles Vanover, Vice Chancellor Fueyo (ex-officio)

Missing: None

Meeting was called to order at 2 PM by Scott Geiger.

Items:

- A. Election of new Chair for 2013-2014. Alejandro Brice was elected Chair of the Research Council for 2013-2014. The vote was unanimous.
- B. The Research Council was asked to review, update, and comment on the USFSP web pages for USFSP Research, Undergraduate Research, Graduate Research, and Faculty Research. The Research Council members are to make recommendations to the Chair by September 30 at noon. The RC Chair will summarize the recommendations and forward these to Michel Fougeres.
 - <http://www.usfsp.edu/research/>
 - <http://www.usfsp.edu/research/undergrad-research/>
 - <http://www.usfsp.edu/research/graduate-research/>
 - <http://www.usfsp.edu/research/faculty-research/>
- C. Discussion of the Sponsored Research Associate (SRA) position. Two candidates will be interviewed at the Williams House on September 30, 2013. The candidates are Sarah Rynearson-Moody and Christina MacFarland. The position is funded from USF Tampa. The SRA will assist with pre-award, post-award support and also the application process for external grants. Alejandro Brice and Jamie McHale have been invited as part of the Search Committee. In addition, faculty who achieved Federal Funding (national grants from NIH, NSF, or other agencies) have also been invited to attend. The Research Council was invited to attend.
- D. Replacement for Michiko Clutter from Arts and Sciences. An Arts faculty (Humanities) is being sought.

Action Item: It was suggested that the RC Chair contact Faculty Senate and ask Faculty Senate (Steve Lang and/or Deanna Michael) to request a member from the College of Arts and Sciences to serve on the Research Council.
- E. News from the Vice Chancellor. The Vice Chancellor polled the RC to determine interest in identifying USFSP courses where students are actively involved in research (similar to identifying courses with civic engagement). A brief definition of research was developed, i.e., the project could lead to a conference presentation, a publication, or another means of dissemination. Creative efforts, action research, applied research, and basic research were determined to be eligible. The RC tentatively agreed that this would be a favorable project.

Action Item: The Vice Chancellor will provide a further definition of classroom research projects and provide examples.

- F. USFSP IRB representation on this campus. It was requested that a USF Tampa IRB representative be available for consultation for USFSP faculty on a regular basis at the USFSP campus. Dr. Paul Sandberg officially affirmed this request upon his visit during Spring 2013 semester during the USFSP Research Month activities.

Action Item: It is asked that the Vice Chancellor follow-up with this request.

- G. Meeting dates. Meeting dates and times were set for Fall 2013 semester:
October 8, 2013 from 12:00-1:00 PM Vice Chancellor Conference Room
November 12, 2013 from 12:00-1:00 PM Vice Chancellor Conference Room
December 10, 2013 (as needed basis).

- H. It was requested that Pat Scott attend future RC meetings given her institutional memory and coordination of Research Month activities. Vice Chancellor Fueyo and Pat Scott will attend the meetings as ex officious.

- I. Dr. Scott Geiger was thanked for his year as Research Council Committee Chair from 2013-2013.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM

Next Meeting on October 8, 2013 from 12:00-1:00 PM.