

Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
October 4, 2013 1 p.m.
Norman Hall Room 158

Attendees:	George Samraj	Pradeep Kumar
Marc Heft	Sue Alvers	Paul Mueller
Mirka Koro-Ljungberg	Judy Russell	Ann Donnelly
David Hahn	Mindy Menn	Christine Fruin
Sobha Jaishankar	Henry Frierson	

Mirka Koro-Ljungberg called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm. Introductions were made and the September minutes were approved.

Open Access Proposal

- Marc Heft gave a little bit of history about where we are today on open access.
 - This started a couple years ago when the Senate asked the ULC to write a draft proposal after asking the university to sign the Berlin Declaration.
 - After the ULC wrote a the proposal, Cheri Brodeur, Faculty Senate Chair at the time, decided that it was important for this draft proposal to go to a task force made up of faculty and deans.
 - In September, the Provost and Marc sent an email to college deans asking the deans to distribute the draft among their faculty and receive feedback. The deadline is October 18 for responses.
 - Most on campus seem to know about Open Access, but Marc is trying to engage the faculty.
- The Library is available to help faculty know their rights. New rules for publishing started last spring and will go into effect spring 2014.
- Concern was raised about the cost of publishing.
- Sobha pointed out that open access isn't just publishing in journals but releasing all research data.
- The council thought that the language of the ULC draft was too strong and recommended that it should be more encouraging.
- The council then decided that this issue should be tabled until after the faculty responses have been received.

Report on Undergraduate Education

- Anne Donnelly showed the council the Center for Undergraduate Research website: <http://cur.aa.ufl.edu/> and gave a short update on the center. She noted that Undergraduate Research took over the University Scholars Program.
- The site has a search engine that finds all faculty pages relevant to the research interest of the student along with suggestions on how to notify faculty.
- The center is moving away from volunteers in the lab.
- Suggestion: To get more faculty participation, ask DSR to waive the IDCs when undergraduate students are added to a grant.
- Suggestion: Notify faculty by sending out a notice via salaried faculty list serve.

Open Discussion

- Mirka asked the council how she should handle the requests that she receives about adding items to the agenda. The council suggested that she should pre-filter the requests. What makes it through her first cut can be brought to the council for further review.

- Marc requested that SCORS look at the distinguished professor stats. Paul Mueller noted that the APB is receiving very few nominations for distinguished professors. The council will poll the deans for their opinion about the current distinguished professor guidelines. This item will be added to the December agenda.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.