

Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
September 4, 2013 9 a.m.
Norman Hall Room 158

Attendees:	David Hahn	Sue Alvers
Marc Heft	Sobha Jaishankar	Stephanie Gray
Mirka Koro-Ljungberg	Florin Curta	Mindy Menn

Mirka Koro-Ljungberg called the meeting to order at 9:05 am. Introductions were made and the May minutes were approved.

Marc Heft, Faculty Senate Chair, mentioned a couple of the Faculty Senate initiatives for 2013-2014.

- Town Hall Meetings – There will be a series of Town Hall meetings which will consist of a presentation by the content expert on the topic of interest that will be followed by a facilitated open conversation. The tentative schedule for the town halls are:
 - September 23 – Barbara Wingo, General Counsel, on Intellectual Property
 - October 21 – Elias Eldayrie, CIO, on information technology
 - November 18 – Bernard Mair, Associate Provost, on General Education
 - January 6 – Jane Adams, VP University Relations on Advocacy
 - February 10 – Joe Glover, Provost on Online Education - Graduate Education
 - March 10 - Andy McCollough, Associate Provost on Online Education and Learning
- Showcase Research and Scholarship
 - Marc approached three new distinguished professors to provide a one hour talk to a general audience
 - Florin suggested that these one hour talks should be off campus and open to the community

UFIRST – Stephanie Gray

- The goal of UFIRST is to reduce the amount of research administrative work on faculty and staff.
- Office of Research has set up a set of recommendations tailored toward faculty to outline processes that most efficiently and compliantly route proposals, etc through the system.
- A demonstration and discussion on [Kuali Coeus](#), a comprehensive research administration system built by and for research universities is Friday, Sept 6 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. in Criser 201A conference room.
- The university is trying to move away from large computer systems and use smaller computer systems.
- MyInvestigator is going well. This software program is formatted like an online banking system for principle investigators to view their research funding.

Office of Research – Sobha Jaishankar

- Sobha noted that Office of Research has submitted a proposal to hire a specialist grant writer to help faculty in writing grants.

Review and Discussion of the agenda for next year – Mirka Koro-Ljungberg

- After a long discussion the council decided on the following as a tentative agenda:
 - September 4th 9-11 Introductions and the agenda for the upcoming year
 - October 4th 1-3 Open access
 - November 6th 9-11 Grant assistance (UFIRST, My Investigator) and cost sharing updates:
Division of sponsored programs
 - December 6th 1-3 Interdisciplinary research, opportunity fund
 - January 8th 9-11 Role of UF journals and University of Florida Press in scholarship

- February 7th 1-3 Role of international research at UF (e.g., results from the faculty survey, next steps)
- March 5th 9-11 Women and minorities in funded research: Follow up to the discussion with the Welfare Council
- April 11th 1-3 Effort reporting- the problematics
- May 7th 9-11

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.