

Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
December 5, 2016 2:00 p.m.
Marston Science Library L-136

Attendees:

Angela Bacsik, University Writing Program, University Libraries Committee Representative
Dimitri Bourilkov, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Department of Physics
Sylvain Doré, College of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology
Sobha Jaishankar, Office of Research
Edith Kaan, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Department of Linguistics
Michael Mahoney, Office of Research
Valrie Minson, George A. Smathers Libraries, Marston Science Library

Valrie Minson convened the meeting at 2:05.

Research Information Management Systems:

Dr. Norton and Dr. Nelson, as well as representatives from College of Engineering and other units on campus, will attend the January meeting to discuss Research Information Management Systems. At the December Faculty Senate Steering Committee Meeting, Provost Glover queried the Research and Scholarship Council's purpose in exploring a RIM system. Valrie emphasized support for the tenure and promotion process, as well as for the collection of faculty data in support of the annual evaluation process. Provost Glover mentioned that Academic Analytics, while initially a benchmarking tool, will also work for support collection of faculty data in support of these two processes. A webinar is scheduled for December 13th on Academic Analytics and all SCORS members are heavily encouraged to attend. Valrie discussed with Provost Glover a possible future presentation on: how UF is using the system, details on how the vendor prepares and refines the data, how the data is used on campus, and the value of the system for Administration. SCORS will hold off requesting the presentation until after the webinar takes place. Additionally, Valrie will request of Dr. Nelson a status update on the white paper, the roadblocks received, and techniques for moving forward in the exploration.

IRB Training Module update and other training topics:

Michael Mahoney reported that hosting a survey in CITI is not the best option for two reasons. First, CITI has been extremely challenging to work with, as emails and phone calls go unanswered. Second, responses to the survey will trickle in slowly as new PIs complete the training. He has recommended we glean feedback with a survey targeting PIs who have active IRB-02 projects and have completed the survey. Based on the challenges of editing the CITI training and the availability of the alternate NIH training, the Research & Scholarship Council recommends phasing out the use of the CITI training and solely recommend the use of the NIH training. In 8 months, the Council will revisit the development of a survey to evaluate the IRB-02 online training. The Council recommends that we send a survey in 8 months to evaluate the entire new IRB online.

Trainings in-general: Infrastructure Council has finalized their list of training recommendations and the Chair of Faculty Senate has asked SCORS and Welfare to add to the recommendations for a combined recommendation. The Research & Scholarship Council recommends shortening the recommendations to be less wordy and 1) including language emphasizing the development of one location in My.UFL to view a user's comprehensive list of trainings and expirations, and) require a survey for gathering feedback about the quality of the training module.

Valrie will distribute a draft of survey questions designed to glean the importance of acquiring a campus-wide license to Project Management Software system and to an Electronic Lab Notebook software system. The hope is to send out the survey and discuss the survey data at the January Council meeting. As an extension of this conversation, Valrie will invite Plato Smith (UF Libraries Data Management Librarian) and Erik Deumens (Research Computing) to a future meeting to discuss areas of mutual interest related to data management.

University Libraries Committee (ULC):

SCORS presented two information items at Faculty Senate since the last meeting. First, the Open Access Publishing Fund reinstatement was announced. Second, a resolution from Senate for increased funding to the Libraries.

The University Libraries Committee raised the topic of Electronic Lab Notebook software (see previous agenda item). Additionally, Angela Bacsik shared language for marketing ORCID to faculty, staff, and students. The Council recommended less wordy language and the creation of a clear opening sentence regarding the importance of identifiers. With those recommended changes, the language was approved by SCORS for distribution.

Additional Topics:

Saira Hasnain, Associate CIO and Senior Director of Enterprise Infrastructure and Operations will attend the January meeting to discuss our request to explore blocking predatory journal publishers from emailing.

Valrie invited Bruce Welt back to SCORS (February 6th) to share what he felt were the appropriate changes to make to the UF Academic Freedom and Responsibility document.

Valrie invited the Office of Technology Licensing to a future February or March meeting.

Report from Faculty Senate Steering:

President Fuchs noted that he publicly pledged support for DACA program. DACA is the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and supports in-state tuition to minors brought illegally to the U.S. as children. The program shields the students from deportation. Provost Glover discussed the Federal District Judge's stay on the FLSA legislation. The judge needs time to assess. If resolved before January then UF will move forward. If not resolved before January then the outcome is unknown. UF is choosing to continue to raise Post Doc salaries to \$47,476 in order to be competitive. Dr. Norton has offered DSP support in year 1 of funding, depending on the level of grants and the number of post docs, for PIs impacted by this increase.

President Fuchs and Provost Glover spoke about the impact of preeminence funding on UF. Of 107 faculty hired under preeminence, those faculty have brought in 122 million in grant funds. \$44 million of that were transferred grant funds. The total University grant dollars places UF in the top 25.