

Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
January 9, 2017 2:00 p.m.
Marston Science Library L-136

Attendees: Angela Bacsik, Dimitri Bourilkov, Sylvain Doré, Sobha Jaishankar, Edith Kaan, Irene Cooke, Jorg Peters, Forrest Masters, Thomas Pearson, Gillian Lord, Fedro Zazeuta, Erik Deumens, Saira Hasnain and Sue Alvers

Valrie Minson convened the meeting at 2:05. Due to the large number of guest participants, introductions were made.

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. The webinar on December 13th on Academic Analytics did not reveal support for tenure and promotion or evaluation processes. Marie Zeglen confirmed in an email on 1/6/2017: "Academic Analytics benchmarking data will not be used in support of any P&T evaluations. First, AA data do not represent the universe of academic productivity for faculty and second, the union contract with faculty specifies exactly what can be used in the P&T process. AA data are not part of that process." Also, "AA has discussed developing a more comprehensive product that would allow broader types of data to be included. If so, that might be a source of information for faculty to use in preparing their packets. That type of system would be totally separate from any benchmarking data. Probably the Provost was thinking of that conversation with AA."

To move forward, Valrie will talk to Chair Stedman. Currently the council's recommendation about RIMS still stands.

Predatory Journals:

Saira Hasnain, Associate CIO and Senior Director of Enterprise Infrastructure and Operations, attended to discuss the SCORS request to explore blocking predatory journal publishers from emailing. Due to technical difficulties and the development of policies, the council recommends that the University Libraries Committee prepare educational announcements and disseminate each year at the beginning of the semester.

Trainings update:

SCORS communicated recommendations to the Infrastructure Council 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 MyUFL to view a user's comprehensive list of trainings and expirations, and 2) require a survey for gathering feedback about the quality of the training module.

Michael Mahoney will be invited back to the next SCORS meeting to discuss the IRB-02 NIH training as there was concern over whether the NIH module would be too clinical in scope.

The survey to faculty will be sent after the Faculty Senate Steering Committee meeting on Thursday. Related to this survey, Erik Deumens and Fedro Zazueta attended to learn about the SCORS discussion regarding a campus license (depending on the results of the survey) for project management software and Electronic Lab Notebook software. Val shared the survey with Fedro and Erik for feedback, and the survey will be distributed post-Steering.

Additional Topics:

The February SCORS meeting will have:

- Erik Deumens and Plato Smith to discuss Research Computing offerings
- Office of Technology Licensing

The meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.