Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
November 7, 2016 2:00 p.m.
Marston Science Library L-208

Attendees:

Irene Cooke, Office of Research
Sobha Jaishankar, Office of Research
Sylvain Doré, College of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology
Edith Kaan, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Department of Linguistics
Gillian Lord, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, Spanish and Portuguese Studies
Valrie Minson, George A. Smathers Libraries, Marston Science Library
Jorg Peters, College of Engineering, Computer Information Science
Kellie Roberts, College of College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, University Libraries Committee
Judith C. Russell, Dean of George A. Smathers Libraries and University Libraries Committee

Valrie Minson convened the meeting at 2:10.

University Libraries Committee (ULC):

OA Publishing Fund: Valrie will present at November Faculty Senate Steering Committee Meeting an information item on SCORS support for the Open Access Publishing Fund. SCORS communicated support for the fund and the Provost has approved four years of funding at $120,000 each year. ULC will send the selection criteria and announcement for SCORS to review. Applications will be accepted in January 2017.

ORCID identifiers for faculty: It is a worthwhile effort for faculty to create ORCID identifiers as it supports author disambiguation. The ULC will draft language for SCORS to help disseminate, such that the Faculty can appreciate the benefits and how it potentially can be incorporated into our various UF systems.

Office of Research Funding: Last April, Dean Russell discussed with SCORS a proposal to increase OR funding for research journals over the next few years to 0.5% of research funding. SCORS presented a resolution to the Faculty Senate Steering Committee at the April 2016 meeting. A question was raised when this was brought up again to SCORS: how 0.5% was decided from the previous 0.2%. Valrie will resubmit to the November Faculty Senate Steering Committee for funding action.

Trainings:

Project Management Software: Dr. Stedman has tasked SCORS with exploring the availability of trainings for Primary Investigators of large multi-institutional grants. The trainings offered through UFHR are comprehensive, but SCORS agreed there may be a gap in offerings related to project management software. Additionally, it would be difficult to offer trainings without having a recommended campus-wide license to a particular software system. Stephanie Gray had mentioned that UF is a Microsoft shop and if there is need for campus wide licensing of software, packages can be negotiated centrally by UFIT. SCORS discussed ways to glean faculty

interest in a campus-wide project management software and discussed a possible survey. Valrie will mention at the Steering Committee the possibility of a survey to learn more about faculty interest and who to contact to start this Faculty survey. The questions would be what they are using, what they would like to use, and if they know of other institutions that utilize a system. Questions/comments. Based on the outcomes of a survey, SCORS may draft a recommendation for a campus-wide system.

UFIRST Update: SCORS agreed that UFIRST is being gradually updated.

IRB2: Valrie has struggled getting in touch with the correct person to discuss IRB2 training changes. Irene Cooke has facilitated conversations with the appropriate persons about the creation of a survey included on the last slide of the IRB2 training. One question would be: Would you have constructive suggestions/comments to improve this training?

Research Portal: Office of Research has created a research portal (one-stop-shop) for information needed by researchers. By the end of the year, the portal should go live.

Trainings: Office of Research is planning to bring together stakeholders to make trainings more efficient. They won't be able to do this for some time due to other priorities.

Infrastructure Council Trainings Recommendation: SCORS commends Infrastructure Council on their excellent recommendations. SCORS does not feel that we need to coordinate on any particular areas of the recommendations.

Academic Freedom and Responsibility:

Valrie will invite Bruce Welt back to SCORS to share what he felt were the appropriate changes to make to the UF Academic Freedom and Responsibility document.

Research Information Management:

SCORS presented a recommendation at the October Faculty Senate Steering Committee meeting for a Provost endorsed exploration of a RIM system. Dr. Nicole Stedman (Chair of Faculty Senate) requested SCORS invite David Norton to the next SCORS meeting to discuss the proposed exploration. Valrie will invite David Norton, Ed Neu, and David Nelson to our next SCORS to discuss our RIM resolution from the October SCORS meeting, as also a follow up on their White Paper report filed in Dec 2015.

Academic Analytics:

Valrie will request for Provost Glover to present on Academic Analytics at an upcoming Senate meeting. Presentation should include: 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.

Additional Topics - Spam Emails:

No response from UFIT regarding limiting predatory journal's spam emails. We will recontact UFIT for a potential resolution.