

Research & Scholarship Council Minutes
October 16, 2017 3 p.m.
Marston Library Room L-136

Attendees:

Dimitri Bourilkov
James Collins
Sylvain Dore

Jorg Peters
Stephanie Gray
Sobha Jaishankar

Sue Alvers
Angela Bacsik
Michael Mahoney

James Collins opened the meeting at 3:15 p.m. The September minutes were approved with revisions.

Final Discussion on Open Access Publishing Fund

- After reviewing the recent Open Access Publishing Fund Policies and Procedures from the University Libraries Committee, SCORS recommended that the OA Publishing Fund not pay for submissions to hybrid journals and asked that it be removed.
- UF is one of the few universities in the country that supports hybrid journal submissions and the OA Publishing Fund has been depleted before the end of the year. If hybrid journals were excluded it would allow more faculty, undergraduates and graduate students to submit to Open Access Journals.
- It was noted that Dean Russell did not agree with the recommendation because the university deans previously wanted to continue including hybrid journals in the OA Fund policy.

IRB Changes

- Michael Mahoney and the council discussed the upcoming IRB changes. It looks like implementation of these new rules will be effective January 2018. The IRB is hoping that the government will delay the effective date.
- Many of the changes will pertain to human subject research.
- Discussion continued on the difficulty of submitting research proposals to the IRB and how it could be made easier.
 - It would be helpful to have a successful example or boiler plate/template online for faculty and students to view.
 - Another suggestion is to have a funded protocol on the web to view.

Faculty Annual Training

- The council noted the university should find a way to minimize reporting by incorporating some of the faculty reports. One suggestion is to have a database to pull information to populate promotion and tenure documents and faculty assignment reports.

The council decided to research crowdfunding. Stephanie Gray mentioned that members should view experiment.com. The council will also invite a representative from UF Foundation to a meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.