

University of Tennessee Research Council

April 23, 2007

Eighth Floor Board Room, Andy Holt Tower

3:30-5:00 PM

Attending:

Thomas Handler, Chair	Larry McKay
JoAnne M. Hall, Vice-Chair	C. Roland Mote
Bill Blass	Stefan Richter
Glenn Graber	Lee Riedinger
W. Frank Harris	Ken Stephenson
Vena Long	Carol Tenopir
Lillian Mashburn	

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Approval of Minutes: Minutes from March 26, 2007 were approved as presented.

Comments from the Research Office and Associate Deans:

Dr. Riedinger reported on the status of searches for Vice Chancellor and Associate Vice Chancellor. Dr. Brad Fenwick, currently Vice President for Research at Virginia Tech has been selected as Vice Chancellor; he will join the University in late summer. Dr. Greg Reed, currently Head, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, has been selected as Associate Vice Chancellor and will begin his duties on or about June 1.

Mrs. Mashburn reported on Washington activities that authorization bills were moving well with appropriation bills following suit. Congressional leadership hopes to have all appropriation bills completed by the end of July with fall adjournment by October 1. This was Mrs. Mashburn's last meeting as she will retire June 30, 2007. The status of her position is unclear as the campus debates how best to administer federal relations.

Old Business:

There was no progress to report from working subcommittees (e.g., policy of research data and tangible research property).

New Business:

Dr. Joanne Hall was elected Chair of the Research Council for the 2007-2008 term. There was some discussion of Research Council membership criteria and specifically what the privileges of *ex officio* members are.

Dr. Hall expressed interest in focusing on ways to achieve broader outreach for research at UTK, both within the University and externally. She invited others to contact her with potential agenda items for her term.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.