

**Research Council Meeting
November 13, 2013
Blount Hall
Room A004**

Final

Attendees

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| Lee Han, Interim Chair | Robert Muenchen |
| Chris Boake | Agricola Odoi |
| Bill Dunne | Stephen Paddison |
| Taylor Eighmy | Ken Phillips |
| Martin Griffin | Greg Reed |
| Thomas Handler | Laura Stephenson |
| Sadie Hutson | Kenton Yeager |
| Holly Mercer | |

Guest

Gale Fulton, Carol Malkemus, and Kelly Steele

Welcome – Robert Nobles

Taylor Eighmy introduced Robert Nobles, Assistant Vice Chancellor for the Office of Research & Engagement. Nobles will begin on January 13, 2014, and will be responsible for conduct of research and institutional research integrity. Nobles is in town this week meeting and greeting folks on campus, visiting schools for his children, and house hunting.

Welcome – Lee Han

Lee Han introduced himself as past Research Council Chair. He is filling in as Chair today because Tina Shepardson is on travel out of the country. Han was Chair of the Research Council for the past two years.

Approval of minutes for October

The October 9, 2013 minutes were unanimously approved.

Strategic Plan Presentation from Office of Research and Engagement – Taylor Eighmy

Taylor Eighmy gave a presentation on the Top 25 Strategic Plan for Research and Engagement titled “A Path Forward for Research and Engagement Supporting Top 25”. Eighmy distributed a handout of a draft titled “Top 25 Strategic Plan of the Research & Engagement Advisory Council (REAC): Proposed Top 25 Research Strategic Plan Metrics”. He discussed the following topics that were on the handout and asked for ideas from the Research Council: Total Research Expenditures (TREs); Federal Research Expenditures (FREs); Engaged Outreach; Faculty Support; Student Support; and Research Infrastructure Support. Eighmy would like feedback from the

Research Council before sharing this information with colleges, joint institutes, and etc. Eighmy discussed the specific action plan for the columns titled “Primary Metric” and “Secondary Metric”, etc. The goal is to have success in each area.

Eighmy requested a special meeting in December to meet with the Research Council. The purpose of the meeting will be to give an update on the Top 25 Strategic Plan of the REAC; discuss the plan with the Research Council; and get feedback from the Research Council. The Research Council agreed to this meeting. A date for this meeting will be announced.

Business

Faculty Development Team Director – Suzanne Lodato

Eighmy announced that Suzanne Lodato has accepted the Faculty Development Team Director position and will begin on December 2.

Announcement new December meeting date, speaker

The Research Council Meeting in December will be December 9th at 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. in Room A004 Blount Hall.

Han announced the upcoming speakers for the Research Council Meetings:

Jan. 8 – Taylor Eighmy (strategic action plan update)

Feb. 12 – Tim Hulse, Chancellor’s Honors Program (new) Director

Mar. 12 – Suzanne Lodato, Faculty Development Team (new) Director

April 9 – Charlie Senn, Research Development Team Director

Centers Review Committee Memorandum – Martin Griffin

Martin Griffin distributed copies of a “Memorandum of Understanding between the Office of Research & Engagement and Research Council on procedures for five-year reviews of research centers or units.” Griffin worked with Han and Reed in preparing this memorandum. The purpose of the report is to cut down on the committee’s work and make it easier. The memorandum explained expectations and responsibilities of the Centers Review Committee and the Office of Research & Engagement. Handler made a motion to accept the memorandum, with some additional language on the timeliness of reports; seconded by Yeager; and all approved.

Centers Review Committee update – Kenton Yeager

Yeager reported that there are four centers to review this semester:

Center on Deafness – review process is complete

Center for Applied Research and Evaluation – report has been received by the review committee – expects review to be complete next week

Center for Enhancing Education in Mathematics and Sciences – received centers report today

Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation – center has not submitted their report which was due October 11, 2013.

Yeager commented that this is a fantastic committee to be on.

ORU Proposals

Reed stated that a call for ORU proposals will be going out soon.

Chancellor's Awards

Reed stated that an announcement for Chancellor's Award Nominations will be going out soon.

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes taken by Jane Taylor