

The University of Tennessee
Research Council
Minutes of the Meeting
October 12, 2016

Elected Members present:

Jiangang Chen, Qiang He, Hillary Herndon, Juan Luis Jurat-Fuentes, Rebecca Klenk, Lisa Mullikin, Casey Sams, and Dawnie Steadman

Ex-Officio Members present:

Teri Baxter, Christine Boake, Holly Mercer, Robert Muenchen, Bonnie Ownley, and David White:

ORE Members present:

Jean Mercer and Robert Nobles

Call to order:

Rebecca Klenk called the meeting to order for the Chair, Micheline Van Riemsdijk. A regular meeting of the Research Council was held at Blount Hall room A004 on October 12, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm.

Center Review Request:

Rebecca Klenk and Dawnie Steadman from the Center Review subcommittee reviewed the National Institute for STEM Evaluation and Research and recommended approval to the VCR.

SARIF Equipment and Infrastructure Call for Proposals:

Qiang He shared that 26 proposals were received and the subcommittee will be making recommendations by October 17 to the VCR.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

No quorum was present to approve minutes from May 11, 2016 meeting.

Presentations

IMedRIS/IRB:

Robert Nobles discussed the IRB process sharing that there are 2000 active studies at the IRB and at any given month 250 to 300 reviewed by the IRB. 99% of all research gets approved. Process improvements have been made including engaging the faculty earlier, increased staff, increased response rates and launching an electronic system to make things more transparent.

Cayuse SP:

Jean Mercer presented the new reporting options in Cayuse. OSP has requested from the company to create a user interface for each college and department allowing more specific reports that will encompass all PIs and not just in an individual college. This is expected to be available by January 2017. OSP is also rolling out changes to the testing group and if anyone wants to be in the testing group, please let Jean know.

New Business:

Suggested topics for the Research Council meetings was discussed with Bill Dunne recommending a presentation by the new RDT Director Kimberly Eck, Bob Muenchen offered to present what support services are available through OIT.

ACTION: All members to provide topics to the chair for Research Council meetings.

Other Items from the Floor:

Request to offer Zoom meeting capability at all future meetings.

Adjournment:

Rebecca Klenk adjourned the meeting at 4:35 pm.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 3:30 pm at Blount Hall A004.

Minutes submitted by: Paula Brown