

**COLLEGE AND GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Office of the Associate Dean for Administrative Affairs and Graduate Education

**RESEARCH COUNCIL**

**September 23, 2013**

MEMBERS ATTENDING: C. Hackney, Admin Affairs; Erica Eckert, FLA; Jian Li, FLA; Lisa Chinn, HS; John McDaniel, HS; Pena Bedesem, LDES; Teresa Rishel, TLC; Marty Lash, TLC; Deborah Shama-Davis, Research Bureau; Michelle Hoversten, Grants Admin.; Luci Wymer, Recorder

MEMBERS ABSENT: Frank Sansosti, LDES

GUESTS: None

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| **AGENDA ITEM** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION TAKEN** |
| Welcome Back-Welcome to our new members | C. Hackney welcomed committee members and shared some of the ideas from last year’s committee.  Last year several boot camps were done last year for students and faculty. Poor attendance and several other issues were discussed. The committee discussed how these could be improved and suggested new ideas:   * Regular brown bag meetings * Monthly scholarship and research presentation * Possibly changing who is eligible for a SEED award was discussed. * Research roundtable social to exchange ideas. * Inviting a well known researcher to come and speak for either a brown bag or a larger presentation. |  |
| 2013-2014 Vision for Research in the College | C. Hackney asked the group what their vision would be for the committee for the year.   1. TLC - Nurturing the culture of research. They indicated that they aren’t talking about it and it isn’t being pursued enough. 2. LDES – identifying what everyone is doing for research. C. Hackney shared that there is now a research database. 3. College graduate research symposium (Lisa Chinn) 4. Poster sessions 5. Bringing in well known researchers to do workshops 6. Block 2 students – poster presentations 7. College goal to increase interdisciplinary research 8. Assisting and promoting the advancement of research. 9. Assisting associate professor faculty in obtaining tenure (faculty development). | Luci will send the group (and perhaps EHHS All listserv) the link for the database. |
| SEED Awards | Dr. Hackney queried whether the committee wanted to continue with the SEED Awards as they have been done or do they want to make changes in how this has been done.  It was suggested that this award continue to be maintained as Pre-tenured faculty. C. Hackney suggested that this money could be divided into a variety of awards. One possibility might be a TT faculty member, but they must be collaborating with a pre-tenured faculty member. It was pointed out that part of the benefit of this award for pre-tenured faculty is the learning process of applying for the award. It was pointed out that this is also available in the current RFP.  There was a suggestion for a second competition for a collaborative effort. It was suggested the amount could be lowered to perhaps $3K. It was also suggested that the amount awarded be justified by their budget with a cap of $5k. This could be a means of awarding numerous awards according to their merits and amount of their budgets. C. Hackney suggested that perhaps these be awarded once for the entire year instead of each semester. It was suggested that this year we have an award in November and again in April. A notice could go out in the spring reminding faculty to prepare over the summer to submit for the award in the fall.  There was a suggestion that prior to the next year’s SEED award the previous year’s recipients do a brown bag on progress, problems, issues, how to submit, etc. The group decided it should be mandatory that previous SEED award winners give a presentation in early November. There was discussion that the presentations be done in the fall and have the SEED awards during spring semester. RFPs would be submitted January 13th. Flexible funding with a maximum amount of $5K. Budget justification would be necessary and items may be struck if found to be unnecessary. Collaborative efforts should be encouraged. Include language that a presentation will be mandatory. D. Shama-Davis would like to add to the RFP that the Bureau would also be available for assistance. There was a question if travel should be limited to data collection or limited to conference registration or a certain percentage.  Cathy asked everyone to look again at all of the items suggested for advancing research and volunteering to move these items forward. Members should be prepared next meeting to volunteer and explain how you are going to move the idea |  |

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am

Next meeting: **Monday, Oct. 28th 9:30 am, WH – Rm 403**

Respectfully submitted

Luci Wymer, Recorder