

Research Challenge Committee

September 12, 2013 - Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Jerzy Sawicki, Chair

Ziona Austrian	William Wilson
Jesse Drucker	Nigamanth Sridhar
Anton Komar	Tim Long
Barsanjit Mazumder	Justin Perry
Antonie van den Bogert	

Absent/Excused: Conor M^cLennan, Ex-Officio Member
Samantha Baskind

1. Approval of the Agenda for the September 12, 2013 Meeting
Approved and seconded as written.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the March 11, 2013 Meeting
Approved and seconded as written.
3. Introduction of Samantha Baskind as replacement member from the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences for Mark Tebeau who left the university. She was unable to attend this meeting.
4. Updates
 - 4.1 Research Updates
 - a. Research Expenditures
 - 2012 Research Expenditures \$61 million, up \$5 million from last year.
 - b. OSPR Updates
 - New Procedures that improve OSPR service
 - Internal Prior Approval Form (IPAF)
 - Research Subawards Template (FDP)
 - Improved Technology that Simplifies the Process
 - Cayuse Proposal Management System (Pre-Award)
 - PeopleSoft Modules (Post-Award) - resolving issues, would like to bring post-awards to Research.
 - Improved Relationships
 - Agreement with Office of General Counsel that the Director of the Technology Transfer Office reviews all contracts related to research, including equipment/supply purchases.
 - Joint operating procedure with Advancement to identify gifts and grants, and data sharing for enhanced reporting.

- OSPR now completes grant re-budget and no-cost extension requests in new PeopleSoft system independently.
- c. Technology Transfer Office
 - Manages and commercializes intellectual property derived from the work of CSU employees and students.
 - Technology Transfer Office assists research by:
 - Establishing university/industry collaborations
 - Evaluating the commercial potential of Intellectual Property (IP)
 - Taking the necessary steps to commercialize university-derived innovation through the protection of IP and subsequent licensing activities.
- d. CSU Research Corporation
 - This not-for-profit organization has been re-instated with a new Board of Directors. This organization facilitates the transfer of technology from CSU to the private sector.
 - Serves as a single point of contact for industrial partners seeking promising technologies and research projects from CSU.
 - The CSURC has capabilities to administer grants and contracts with industrial sponsors (see CSURC website)
 - i. Extend indemnification provisions to research sponsors
 - ii. Accept an equity position in a company which has licensed University IP
 - iii. Enter into agreements that provide for the law of another state to be controlling
- e. Internal Funding Programs/Faculty Start-Up Funds Policy
 - Faculty Innovation Fund (FIF) – Grants up to \$40,000. Information available on the Office of Research website at www.csuohio.edu/research/internalfundingprograms/index.html
 - FIF used to encourage new directions in research and scholarship, increase external funding, commercialization of University intellectual property with the potential for high impact
 - New and improved website
 - Featured Researcher Videos – coming soon
- f. Student Research
 - New names for student research awards – Undergraduate Student Research Award and Undergraduate Student Summer Research Award
 - New website soon to be released
 - External funding opportunities, undergraduate journals, etc.

4.2 Human Resources Items – Jesse Drucker

- a. Created research technician and post-doctoral position ladders, which are all non-union positions.
- b. The CSURC has pages that help a PI know who to contact to navigate the process of hiring for research, on-boarding process or off-boarding process. A 30-day notice is advisable to hire or off-board a hire.

4.3 Update from Facilities and Safety

- a. CIHP

- On time and on budget; project in four phases with tight timelines.
- Demolition of Rascal House and other buildings to begin November 4th.
- Plant Zone Maintenance will be launched in each building to see what needs to be repaired in the next two weeks.

5. Development of the Agenda for the Next Meeting

6. New Business

Discussed the possibility of having Nobel laureate (Cambridge University) to come and speak for the 50th Anniversary

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.