

Research Council Minutes

The Research Council met on Tuesday, **January 29, 2008** @ 1 pm in the University Center Cardinal Room.

Members present: [Roger Lirely](#), [Michael Smith](#), [Hal Herzog](#), [Thomas Ford](#), [Mark Holliday](#), [Sean O'Connell](#), [Christopher Cooper](#), [Meagan Karvonen](#), [Scott Higgins](#), [Krista Schmidt](#), [Michelle Hargis](#), [Paul Jacques](#)

Members absent: [Jane Eastman](#), [Karena Cooper-Duffy](#), [Sue McPherson](#), [Linda McIntosh](#), [Erin Tapley](#)

Others present: John Hawes, Reginald Rogers, William Kwochka

Announcements

New Members Scott Higgins welcomed three new members (Mike Smith, Hal Herzog & Tom Ford) and they introduced themselves.

Policy 56 & IRB Training Meagan Karvonen discussed the revisions in progress for Policy 56 (Research Ethics) to incorporate IRB authority and responsibility. She also announced that the IRB training plan is being finalized. Certification for investigators will be for five years with refresher training required after that.

Graduate Research Symposium Scott Higgins requested everyone encourage their student to participate in the Graduate Research Symposium. Per feedback from last year, more publicity is going out.

Export Control Scott Higgins announced that the Export Control Review Committee is still engaged writing WCU management plan. Policy 99 is being revised to address foreign travel. IT is developing "clean" laptops for use in foreign countries. John Hawes reminded committee that there are good PowerPoint presentations on the web site for quick Export Control 101 introduction. Training beyond what is available on ASU site (through WCU link) will eventually follow.

Approval of the Minutes The minutes from the November 8, 2007 meeting were approved as distributed.

Follow-up Business

IACUC IACUC (Animal Use Committee) needs to be revived. There are members appointed, but not a chair. Hal Herzog said he will continue to be involved, but does not want to be IACUC chair. Mark Holliday said he is willing to join IACUC, but also unable to assume chair responsibilities. Chair should be someone with a biology specialty. Additionally, current off campus vet is not longer interested in participating. A follow up meeting will be scheduled with IACUC interested parties and results anticipated in the next two weeks. Training for IACUC members will be funded

Hunter Scholar Award Krista Schmidt briefed the Hunter Scholar Award criteria and that a winner will be selected March 1st. Another Research Council member is needed to complete the selection committee and Paul Jacques volunteered.

Faculty Research Grant Michelle Hargis briefed the Faculty Research Grant (five awards of \$5000) and solicited support for selection committee. Tom Ford and Chris Cooper stepped forward.

University Scholar Scott Higgins briefed the University Scholar award and the need to reword the award criteria was discussed. Selection Committee members are Roger Lirely, Jane Eastman, and Hal Herzog.

New Business

Undergraduate Research Scott Higgins announced that an undergraduate research committee is forming and it needs to coordinate its efforts with the Graduate School

Other Business

Indirect Costs Reggie Rogers stated that WCU's IDC recoupment rate is only 4.4%. As this improves, more IDC will be available to return to researchers.

Action

IACUC A chair and new off campus veterinarian needs to be determined within the next two weeks

Internal Awards All of these awards will be posted on website with application instructions and award selection criteria once these items are finalized.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.