

Faculty Research Committee
Minutes of March 4, 2008

Attending: Ann Breitenwischer, Maureen Heaphy, Renee Mika, George Nagel, Bakhodirzhon Siddikov, Matt Wagenheim, Lisa Wall, Matt Yang.

Absent: Yaron Felus, David Nicol,

Ann Breitenwischer opened the meeting at 11:00 AM.

1. Discussion of Five Proposals.

One applicant withdrew a proposal that had been previously submitted. The remaining four proposals were reviewed. The committee recommended two of the proposals go forward for funding. The two other proposals were of merit but were not research based and perhaps would be better suited as professional development. Ann Breitenwischer will communicate this to the two applicants this week so that they might apply for professional development support. Ann Breitenwischer reminded everyone that the decision is confidential until the Interim VPAA approves the funding for the proposals recommended by the committee.

2. Other Topics

Ann Breitenwischer will check with the Interim VPAA regarding rolling over unspent funds from the FRC account. Last year funds were limited. It appears that faculty expected limited funds this year and did not apply but the funds were actually doubled.

Topics for next time:

- 1.) Exemplar proposals could be posted as a model
 - a. Scientific
 - b. Qualitative
- 2.) Review application procedure
 - a. Highlight need for methodology to be included
 - b. Address requirement when human subjects are involved
- 3.) Prescreening of application to assure it is placed with the correct group (FRC, Professional Development, Ferris Foundation etc)
- 4.) Online application process

3. Next meeting at 11:00 April 8, 2008 in FLITE135.

Adjournment: Noon
Respectfully submitted

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