Research Council Agenda
April 27th, 2022
3:30pm – 5:00pm

VOTING:
Jason Carter  Sarah Shannon  Craig Ogilvie
Mary Miles  Colin Shaw  Chris Kearns/ Jim Mitchell
Mary Cloninger  Nicole Tuss  Terry Leist
Ron June  Blake Wiedenheft  Robert Mokwa/Durward Sobek
Brent Peyton/Robin Gerlach  Carl Yeoman  Leslie Schmidt
Michael Brody  Nicholas Childs  Ryan Knutson
Molly Secor Turner

NON-VOTING:

• Minutes and Announcements

  No amendment on the minutes. Minutes approved. Reminder: The Research Council reception will be held on the second-floor patio at MilTech for the wrap up of the year.

  o L. Schmidt retirement party – May 26, 3:30-5:00pm at the Inspiration Hall, NAH

  o End of year wrap up – Fiscal year end is wrapping up next month. VP Carter shared that REDGE has made the commitments to the Colleges, and is currently working on the Centers & Institutes and the Core Facilities.

  o Research Development Day in January of 2023

    Nicole Motzer shared that Research Development Day planning for January 12th at the Inspiration Hall. There will be keynotes and breakout sessions to talk about NIH, NSF, etc. The ORD is analyzing on success and decline rates across sponsors to help identify which agencies would be the most strategic to invite. Please suggest if there’s a particular divisions or centers that need to be include into the invite list.

• Limited Submissions Process (N. Motzer)

    Nicole Motzer shared that MSU is now using InfoReady to manage Limited Submission Proposals, Internal Grants and nominations. This is a centralized management system which facilitates the submission and review of Funding opportunities. The goal is to maximize this feature for use across campus to increase efficiencies and impact.

• Huron Report on Core Facilities (E. Elias)

    Emily Elias updated that REDGE received the final report from Huron. The draft policy and template went to Research Council and Core Facilities managers to review. Emily is working with
the Core Facilities on the rate calculation process. The communications with the new rates and any new policies that will affect users should be later in the summer. The goal is to adjust old and new rates as needed. Full implementation is expected to begin by the next calendar year.

- GRA support efforts (C. Ogilvie/J. Carter)

Conversation on strategic investment and initiatives on how to support GRA had been discussed.

- The Delta Funding was approved, and will start with $110,000 implemented in FY 23 to be managed by the Graduate School.

- Second program is expansion of the PhD enhancement grants that are designed to “start-up” a graduate student their first year. Currently these are restricted for GTAs because program is funded through general fund resources. REDGE will fund an additional 5 “start-up” grants that will specifically be for GRAs.

- Third program is completion program. REDGE will fund an additional 5 completion grants beginning next year.

- Fourth, REDGE will invest in startup for 3 GRAs devoted to Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences. We will evaluate this in a couple of years to see if this works in helping us recruit and retain more doctoral research students in the HASS degrees.

- The last investment was the IRD program will be raised from 15% to 20% in FY 23.

All these investments were unanimously endorsed by RC.

Heading to FY 23, VP Carter asked the RC to share topics to be discussed for next year’s priorities:

- The library transitioning contract
- Post-Doc support
- Engaging HR to talk about Direct Hire Process
- Academic Analytics data on providing national awards

- Innovation Campus Update and Events (J. Carter)

The industry groundbreaking will be held on June 10th. This will be 87,000 square foot incubator building that designs to help generates spin out companies, start up companies.

- Other/Future Items?

Colin Shaw shared a student research celebration will be next Thursday at the SUB.

Research Council Get Together: May 25th, 2022