

Senate Research Committee Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2014; 3:00 PM  
315 Dahlberg Hall

Attendees: Drs. Amber Amari, Tim Bartness, Brenda Chapman, Monica Diaz, Florian Enescu, Laura Fredrick, Beth Jones, Paul Katz, Sylvia Lee, Shelley Linens, Kathryn McClymond, Don Reitzes, Ed Rigdon, Rose Sevcik (Chair), Mary Stuckey, William Walsh, Jim Weyhenmeyer, and Leslie Wolf

Absentees: Drs. Pam Barr, Sarah Cook, Daniel Deocampo, Dabney Dixon, Baotong Gu, Unil Perera, William Robinson, MaryAnn Ronski, Laura Salazar, Lionel Scott, Jelena Subotic, Monica Swahn, P.C. Tai, Kris Varjas, Yichuan Zhao, and Alan Ziobrowski

Minutes: Ms. Rose Williams

1. The January 27, 2014 minutes were approved.
2. Dr. Chapman gave a brief update on the iRIS management system. Most of the issues encountered have been resolved and the team is working earnestly to have resolution on the other issues including those surrounding the submission of amendments.
3. Chair Sevcik delivered an update on the document on open access publishing and digital treatment of graduate students' theses and dissertations. The university attorneys have raised some issues and a meeting of the subcommittee members along with Dr. Weyhenmeyer and Gwen Spratt is up coming. Chair Sevcik will share the outcome of the meeting and any changes to the document.
4. Dr. Weyhenmeyer discussed the following URSA updates:
  - a. The new policy for animal care per diem is not available yet and a copy should be ready by the next meeting.
  - b. The new research administration went live on February 3. The new team structure is strictly based on agency not on college or unit. The Colleges of Arts & Sciences and Public Health will be first to beta test the full integration of the distributed model.
  - c. Recently, the university closed out the month of February, and to date, the grant activities are close to current expectations. Further, from the federal side, most perspectives are optimistic about federal funding.
5. Dr. Weyhenmeyer addressed the question about whether grant applicants at GSU will be required to include tuition charges for the graduate students who may work on funded projects. He stated that there will be no university requirement to include tuition in federal grant applications. There was a discussion among the committee members that considered the pros and cons of such an action.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 24 at 3:00 PM in 315 Dahlberg Hall.