

Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development

Approved Minutes

Date: January 21, 2004

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Place: Horvitz Building, LaBonte Boardroom

Present: Ron Chenail (PRO), Akintade Dare (HPD/CDM), Laurie Dringus (GSCIS), Ed Keith (OSC), Leonard Levy (HPD/COM), David Loshin (HPD/OPT), Ron Needleman (HUIZENGA), Barbara Packer (FGSE), Josephine Shallo-Hoffman (HPD/OPT), Kimberly Shaw (MSIECS), and Barbara Sterry (OGC).

Absent: Nathan Azrin (CPS), Elizabeth Brennan (UNS), *Mary Collins (FGSE), Arthur DeCarlo (HPD/COM), *Gary Gershman (FCAS), *Joe Grohman (LAW), Bill Hardigan (HPD/COP), J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), Ed Lieblein (GSCIS), Fred Lippman (HPD/EXEC. OFCS.), Peggy Loewy Wellisch (FIN.AID), *Harvey Mayrovitz (HPD/CMS), Appu Rathinavelu (HPD/COP), Keith Sherwood (HPD/CDM), *Mahmood Shivji (OSC), and Hamdesa Tusso (GHS&SS).

Committee Charge: The purpose of the Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development is to assist with the development of goals and expectations for scholarship and research and to define the policies and procedures needed to support these activities in a high-quality manner.

1. Approval of Minutes from December 17, 2003

The minutes of the December 17, 2003 meeting were approved and will be posted at <http://www.nova.edu/cwis/vpaa/facres/forms/facres121703.pdf>.

2. Quality of Life Program – Ron Chenail

Dr. Kim Durham will be contacted to see where we are regarding the procedures/structure, timeline, website for the Quality of Life Award which will be presented in conjunction with the 2004/05 Presidents Faculty Research & Development Grant Award Ceremony (PFRDG). The ceremony will be on Tuesday, May 25, 2004, at HPD/Hull Auditorium, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Barbara Sterry stated that the procedures being developed are not just money received by NSU but by the Children Services Council as well. Barbara mentioned that it takes a long time once the grant contract is submitted, reviewed, and signed.

Discussion followed on the criteria for submission. If this were not in place this year then the Quality of Life Awards would be judged on the same criteria as the PFRDG

Awards.

The FRS Committee was concerned that no announcement has been sent to the NSU Community regarding the Quality of Life Awards. Dr. Chenail will be speaking with Dr. Durham on the next steps and what the FRS Committee's role will be.

3. Sub-committee on Best Practices and Benchmarking: Graduate Student Scholarship Program – Ron Chenail

Dr. Chenail reported that Dr. Hanbury has approved the funding for the budget that was presented to him back in November, 2003 for the FY 05 budget. The Best Practices and Benchmarking Graduate Student Scholarship Program Sub-committee will be meeting on February 11, 2004 to discuss/draft the implementation of marketing, timelines, policies, website & procedures for signing up graduate students as the next development phase.

Roger LaCasse will be invited to speak to the FRS Committee scheduled for February 18, 2004 on tuition waivers as well as Dr. George Hanbury who will discuss the next phase of the implementation plan for the student tuition waivers.

Dr. Chenail complimented the Committee on their accomplishment.

4. President's Faculty Research and Development Grants Update – Ron Chenail

The FRS Committee was encouraged to check out the PFRDG expanded website which is well organized for FY'04/05. This year the post award procedures were added. The deadline for proposal submissions is April 2, 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

The website is www.nova.edu/cwis/vpaa/facscholar/index.html

The two reviewer training sessions were well attended, and it is anticipated that there will be an increase in the number of faculty proposals that will be submitted this year.

5. Florida Lambda Rail (<http://www.flrnet.org>) and Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA) (<http://www.sura.org/>) - Ron Chenail

A handout was distributed to the FRS Committee regarding SURA. Dr. Chenail reiterated that NSU has joined Florida Lambda Rail (FLR). FLR is a Florida consortium of the major state institutions (FIU, UM, FAU, & NSU) to take advantage of the fiber optics system that allows for the movements of large sets of data, which includes videos.

Dr. Chenail stated that SURA signed a deal with AT&T and NSU is looking into joining this consortium. On January 23, 2004 Dr. Chenail met with Dr. Hanbury, Dr. Dodge, Greg Horne and a physicist who works at the Oceanographic Center to work on a proposal to get membership into SURA.

SURA's goals are to foster excellence in scientific research, to strengthen the scientific and technical capabilities of the nation and of the Southeast, and to provide outstanding training opportunities for the next generation of scientists and engineers.

6. Other Items of Discussion:

- a. Dr. Chenail discussed a meeting on January 20, 2004 with HPD/OSC regarding an opportunity to work with a group called Ocean Boy Farms. Ocean Boy Farms is actually a doctoral student whose company is one of the largest producers of fresh water shrimp. This company would like OSC faculty to do agriculture research and the GSCIS is looking at the aspect of computer engineering in the area of biotech.
- b. Dr. Chenail noted that an all day retreat is scheduled for February 25, 2004 to begin the process of seeking Federal Accreditation for NSU/IRB and the VA Hospital. A consultant will be coming in as well as several people from the VA Hospital. Some of the ideas to be on the agenda will include: resourcing and staffing. President Ray Ferrero, Jr., has approved this process. No timeline has been set up as yet.
- c. Dr. Chenail mentioned that President Ray Ferrero, Jr., is scheduling a meeting with Dave Dawson (Executive Director of University Relations) and Center Administration folks to come up with a generic NSU Magazine or a Research at NSU Publication to communicate with the NSU community.
- d. Dr. Leonard Levy advised the FRS Committee that the GSCIS/COM & the VA are collaborating to present a new Masters Degree Medical Informatics program. This degree is not a research degree but an Applied Medical Informatics degree. The new program will hopefully be implemented in 2004/05 academic year. This degree will emphasize the importance of:
 - o Technology
 - o Patient Safety
 - o Poor Penmanship/Issue of wrong drugs being administered
 - o Medical Records

7. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 18, 2004 in the Board Room of the Horvitz Administration Building.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 A.M.