

Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development

Approved Minutes

Date: May 21, 2003

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Place: Horvitz Building, LaBonte Boardroom

Present: Nathan Azrin (CPS), Ron Chenail (PRO), Akintade Dare (HPD/CDM), Laurie Dringus (GSCIS), Gary Gershman (FARQUHAR), Leonard Levy (HPD/COM), David Loshin (HPD/OPT), Barbara Packer (FGSE&HS), Appu Rathinavelu (HPD/COP), Josephine Shallo-Hoffman (HPD/OPT), Kimberly Shaw (MSIECS), Barbara Sterry (OGC).

Absent: Elizabeth Brennan (UNS), *Mary Collins (FGSE&HS), Bill Hardigan (HPD/COP), Marianne Janssen (HPD/CAH), *Billie Jo Kaufman (LAW), *J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), Ed Lieblein (GSCIS), Fred Lippman (HPD/EXEC/OFCS.), *Peggy Loewy-Wellisch (FIN.AID), Andres Malave (HPD/CAH), *Harvey Mayrovitz (HPD/CMS), Mahmood Shivji (OSC), 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 April 16, 2003

The minutes of the April meeting were approved with the following corrections.

President's Faculty Scholarship Awards Update

Dr. Ron Chenail gave the final reports on the results of the grant monies received over the last three years. He stated that over the 4 years that 58 awards were given and 33 requests for extensions were given.

HPD Research Committee

Dr. Andres Malave will no longer be chairing the HPD Research Committee. Dr. Arthur DeCarlo is the new chair. The committee is in a transition stage and Dr. Chenail stated that he will be talking to Dr. Fred Lippman regarding the change in structure and the possibility of having a liaison from the Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee represent the university.

2. Dr. Ron Chenail spoke on the Edu Venture Conference he attended at Columbia University on "Curriculum Psychology and Strategy". He reported this information to the Vice Presidents. Dr. Chenail stated that he feels our institution has an advantage

over other universities because of our mission and culture. If any committee members wish to review this report he will forward this two page summary to them.

3. President's Faculty Research and Development Grants Update

Dr. Ron Chenail explained the reason for the new name change. The new name eliminates the confusion when allocating funds. There are two separate funds: one is student scholarship, and the other is faculty scholarship.

The PFRDG Award Ceremony is scheduled for May 21, 2003 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., at HPD/Terry Building, Hull Auditorium.

This year two new awards were presented during the ceremony. Dr. Kim Durham from the Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services is the Chair of these awards.

The first award presented was the "NSU/Coordinating Council of Broward County Quality of Life."

The second award presented went to "Obesity in Children" and "Women in Violence and How It Affects their Homelife." The Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services, Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and HPD/College of Pharmacy were also involved in this inaugural award.

Dr. Ron Chenail mentioned a total of nineteen awards are being given at tonight's award ceremony plus two Quality of Life Awards.

Dr. Ron Chenail will be inviting Dr. Kim Durham, Executive Director of the Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services to speak to the Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee at a future meeting to talk on the Quality of Life Council and to create a website for this project.

Dr. Ron Chenail also would like to invite Roger La Casse, University Comptroller, to speak to the Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee on the External Funding of Grants (allocation pools).

Invited to give a short presentation on their work at the President's Faculty Research and Development Grants Award Ceremony were recipients winners of the first inaugural event: Dr. Lester Janoff, Dr. Ed Keith, and Dr. Ana Fins.

Dr. David Loshin commented on the reviewer's comments. A discussion followed on the positive and negative comments as to their helpfulness to the applicants.

Dr. Ron Chenail discussed the possibility of referring the proposals to the respective departments for evaluations. This would facilitate evaluations by reviewers with expertise in the specific disciplines. Dr. Chenail also discussed the option of using outside reviewers.

Dr. Ron Chenail stated the committee will be changing the proposal workshops for faculty by scheduling meeting times for faculty either before or after their department

meetings.

Also noted was the high percent of faculty asking for extensions and not spending their money. Out of 58 awards –12 faculty have had more than one extension. President Ray Ferrero, Jr., wants the roll over of funds to be very flexible.

Discussions at the Dean's Retreat focused on the fact that research will continue as part of Nova's mission. The definition of research (type of research) will be defined by the university departments. Our mission is to support research and what that means is being academically dependent.

In two weeks the Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee, The Faculty Advisory Council, Vice Presidents, and Deans will be receiving important documents on the topics covered at the Dean's Retreat. The topics covered included the following: Traditional, non-traditional on campus, distance, open admission, tuition, size of institution, research and teaching.

4. Compendium of Current Practices in Professional Development for Faculty (<http://nova.edu/cwis/urp/pdfs/03-05.pdf>)

This new 2003 report which was prepared by Research and Planning can be read online. These specific programs are designed to support the faculty. The Development Program will cover such things as: Travel, conferences, workshops, university wide faculty development (grants), forums, education and sabbaticals.

Dr. Ron Chenail wants the Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee to identify and recommend areas for improvement. The second area is the evaluation of the program.

5. Other Items of Discussion

Dr. Nathan Azin from CPS brought up the issue of centers losing money when they received a grant from external funding.

6. Next Meeting

Dr. George Hanbury has been invited to speak at the next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 18, 2003. His discussion will be focused on the Rationale for Establishment of a Scholarship Fund and Tuition Waivers for Graduate Students.

7. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.