

Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development

Approved Minutes

Date: June 18, 2003

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Place: Horvitz Building, LaBonte Boardroom

Present: Ron Chenail (PRO), Laurie Dringus (GSCIS), Ed Keith (OSC), Leonard Levy (HPD/COM), Ron Needleman (HUIZENGA), Soledad Arguelles for Barbara Packer (FGSE&HS), Josephine Shallo-Hoffman (HPD/OPT), Kimberly Shaw (MSIECS), Mahmood Shivji (OSC), Barbara Sterry (OGC) and Hamdesa Tusso (GHS&SS).

Absent: Nathan Azrin (CPS), Elizabeth Brennan (UNS), *Mary Collins (FGSE&HS), Akintade Dare (HPD/CDM), Arthur DeCarlo (HPD/COM), *Gary Gershman (FARQUHAR), Bill Hardigan (HPD/COP), J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), Billie Jo Kaufman (LAW), J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), Ed Lieblein (GSCIS), Fred Lippman (HPD/EXEC/OFC.S.), *Peggy Loewy-Wellisch (FIN.AID), *David Loshin (HPD/OPT), *Harvey Mayrovitz (HPD/CMS), Appu Rathinavelu (HPD/COP) and Keith Sherwood (HPD/CDM).

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 May 21, 2003

The minutes of the May 21, 2003 meeting were approved.

2. Sub-committee on Best Practices and Benchmarking: Graduate Student Scholarship Program

The committee reviewed the proposal for establishment of a scholarship fund and tuition waiver program for attracting high quality graduate students to achieve the academic mission of the university. Dr. George Hanbury attended the meeting and participated in the discussion.

Dr. Ed Keith discussed the ways in which NSU can attract more qualified graduate students. These are listed in the proposal. He also mentioned the fact that NSU faculty is not directly responsible for the research for graduate students and that students are essentially doing the primary research.

Dr. Mahmood Shivji summarized the proposal and stressed the importance of offering graduate students a package consisting of (a) salary; (b) stipend provided by a

faculty member; (c) no tuition waiver showing no loss of income to NSU.

Dr. Ed Keith gave an example of the proposal cost to the university for one tuition waiver for one graduate student at the Oceanographic Center and the Center for Psychological Studies.

Dr. Keith discussed the establishment of a tuition waiver program that is not tied to the graduate student becoming an NSU employee. He stated the longer term proposal would establish an endowment totaling \$500,000. The income would be used to award graduate student scholarships. He summarized the proposal by stating the measurable outcomes from the program. Also, the program should accomplish the following:

- a. Thesis
- b. Presentations at scholarly conferences
- c. Scholarly, peer-reviewed publications
- d. Grants submitted and funded

Dr. George Hanbury commended the committee on their hard work and mentioned that the proposal is inline with the visioning exercise that the Board of Trustees did at their retreat, which was to improve quality of education in the programs. He encouraged the committee to look into a business plan with a multi -5 year perspective, which would include all 16 schools. Dr. Hanbury also stressed the intangible benefits that could come back to the university.

Dr. Ron Chenail suggested a sub-committee be set up to work on a business plan to be included in the proposal and to hopefully have it ready by September, 2003. This is in response to Dr. Hanbury's recommendation and will be added to the proposal.

Meetings will be scheduled for the sub-committee over the summer. Roger LaCasse will be asked to be involved with this committee.

3. President's Faculty Research and Development Grants Update

Dr. Ron Chenail stated that there was nothing new to report on the President's Faculty Research and Development Grant. Accounts are being set up and getting IRB approval. Barbara Sterry is reviewing the proposals and working on an action plan for next year with Dr. Chenail regarding dates and times.

4. University Retreats Update – Ron Chenail

The Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development Committee will be receiving copies of the University Retreat and the Institutional Report Card. The committee was asked to review this report and submit their feedback online.

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

Dr. Chenail stated that they are still looking for new projects in the area. He met with Diane Lippe from Izone and Johanna Tunon from the library. They are working on

designing a more centralized system for faculty development online resources.

6. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 17, 2003

7. Adjournment

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