

Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development

Approved Minutes

Date: November 18, 2003

Time: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Place: Horvitz Building, LaBonte Boardroom

Present: Mary Collins (FGSE), Joe Grohman (LAW), Ed Keith (OSC), David Loshin (OPT), Appu Rathinavelu (HPD/COP), Kimberly Shaw (MSIECS), Josephine Shallo-Hoffman (OPT), and Barbara Sterry (OGC).

Absent: Nathan Azrin, Elizabeth Brennan (UNS), *Ron Chenail (PRO), *Akintade Dare (HPD/CDM), Arthur DeCarlo (HPD/COM), *Laurie Dringus (GSCIS), Gary Gershman (FCAS), * Bill Hardigan (HPD/COP), J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), * Leonard Levy (HPD/COM), Ed Lieblein (GSCIS), Fred Lippman (HPD/EXEC. OFCS.), *Peggy Loewy Wellisch (FIN.AID), Harvey Mayrovitz (HPD/CMS), Ron Needleman (HUIZENGA), *Barbara Packer (FGSE), 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 October 15, 2003
The minutes of the October 15, 2003 meeting were approved.

Barbara Sterry chaired the meeting in Dr. Ron Chenail's absence.

2. Sub-committee on Best Practices and Benchmarking: Graduate Student Scholarship Program – Dr. Ed Keith

The latest version of 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 was distributed. Dr. Ed Keith reported that the sub-committee met over the summer several times with representatives from Finance (Roger LaCasse), OHR (Sharon Fredda), and (Administration), Dr. George Hanbury.

Additionally, Dr. Keith discussed the proposed business plan to increase the fringe benefit allocated to tuition waivers paid by all NSU employees, and for which the FRS Committee indicated its support. As a result of this action, it is proposed that a fund be created to be used to award tuition waivers to selected high quality graduate students. This fund would be administered through the Office of grants and Contracts.

Dr. Keith recognized Dr. David Loshin for his work in the developing the budget for the Graduate Tuition Waiver for 2004-2008 proposal, which the committee reviewed; clarification was sought on some points.

A general committee discussion followed regarding the major points of the plan. Dr. Keith asked the FRS Committee to approve the proposed plan for resubmission to Dr. Hanbury since the new budgeting process for FY'2004/05 is beginning. The FRS Committee unanimously approved the proposal and commended everyone for their outstanding work.

3. President's Faculty Research Development Grant Update – Barbara Sterry

Dr. Chenail, Barbara Sterry and Gina Peyton have completed their meetings with faculty from the colleges/centers. As a result of questions and comments received during these meetings, the PFRDG web site will be updated. The FRS Committee was asked to look over the web site and offer any suggestions for improvements.

<http://www.nova.edu/cwis/vpaa/facscholar/index.html>

Barbara Sterry reminded committee members that April 2, 2004, is the submission date for applications to this year's competition. It is anticipated that there will be an increase in the number of applications received this year.

The deans have submitted the names of 61 faculty to serve as reviewers for FY 2004/05. Two Technical Assistance Meetings have been scheduled.

January 7, 2004 – 9:30am – 10:30am – SLRITC Lab 1040

January 20, 2004 – 2:00pm – 3:00pm – SLRITC Lab 1040

4. Quality of Life Program – Barbara Sterry

The Executive Dean from the Fischler Graduate School of Education & Human Services, Dr. Kim Durham, will be speaking at the December 17, 2003 FRS meeting on the Quality of Life Program. Last year was the inaugural year for this competition, which made two awards to support community service-related projects. The Quality of Life web site is still under construction, which will include the guidelines, policies and procedures.

5. Florida Lambda Rail – Barbara Sterry

The FRS Committee was provided a paper prepared by Dr. George Hanbury entitled, "InternetCoast's Lambda Rail: A Proposal for Member Universities of the Internet Coast". Drs. Chenail and Hanbury, through their involvement in the InternetCoast, have been involved in the Florida Lambda Rail project. The project's purpose, as outlined in the paper, is to position Florida to play a lead role in state, regional, and national consortia and to be among the early beneficiaries of next-generation, fiber-optic based research and education networks.

Barbara Sterry recommended that the committee review the handout. Any questions may be presented at the December 17, 2003 meeting.

6. Other Items:

Dr. Appu Rathinavelu mentioned that he was awarded \$100,000.00 for two years to study the "Identification and Validation of Intracellular Targets for Cancer Treatment" through the Florida Board of Education and FAU's Center of Excellence. He will be attending key meetings with other partners involved in the Center of Excellence.

7. Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 17, 2003

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35am