

## Committee on Faculty Scholarship, Research, and Professional Development

### Approved Minutes

**Date: December 18, 2002**

**Time: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

**Place: Horvitz Building, LaBonte Boardroom**

Present: Nathan Azrin (CPS), Ronald Chenail (Academic Affairs), Mary Collins (FGSEHS), Gary Gershman (FAR), Billie Jo Kaufman (LAW), Ed Keith (OSC/IRB), Leonard Levy (HPD/COM), Andres Malave (HPD/COP), Ron Needleman (Huizenga/IRB), Barbara Packer (FGSEHS), Appu Rathinavelu (HPD/COP), Mahmood Shivji (OSC), Barbara Sterry (OGC), and Hamdesa Tusso (GSHSS)

Absent: Elizabeth Brennan (UNS), \*Laurie Dringus (GSCIS), \*Bill Hardigan (HPD/COP), \*Marianne Janssen (HPD/CAH), J. Preston Jones (HUIZENGA), Ed Lieblein (GSCIS), Fred Lippman (HPD/Exec. Offices), Peggy Loewy Wellisch (Student Financial Services), \*David Loshin (HPD/OPT), \*Harvey Mayrovitz (HPD/CMS), \*Josephine Shallo-Hoffman (HPD/OPT), Kimberly Shaw (FAM. CTR.), and Keith Sherwood (HPD/CDM)

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**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 November 19, 2002

The minutes were approved unanimously without revisions. They can be found online at <http://www.nova.edu/cwis/vpaa/facres/forms/facres111902.pdf>.

2. United States Geologic Survey (USGS) Update

Dr. Chenail gave a brief update on the USGS competition. He reported that the university was expecting to receive questions from the USGS review committee and would be responding accordingly.

3. President's Faculty Scholarship Awards (PFSA) Update

- a. Action Plan Update
- b. Draft Survey

Dr. Chenail reviewed the PFSA Action Plan and highlighted the upcoming training sessions for reviewers. He also reported that we have over 50 reviewers for this

year's competition. Dr. Chenail and Ms. Sterry reported on the development of the faculty survey and asked for members to submit comments. They also discussed the latest revision on the web page for PFSA reviewers.

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

- a. Meeting set for December 20, 2002 at 1:30 PM in Dr. Chenail's office.

Drs. Keith, Rathinavelu, Shallo-Hoffman, and Chenail were scheduled to meet to discuss a revision on the position paper regarding financial support for graduate students at NSU. Based upon considerable feedback from committee members regarding existing programs in support of graduate students, the sub-committee was planning to revise the paper. Sub-committee members would report back to the committee at the January meeting.

5. Big Picture of Research at NSU

The committee members discussed the need for better clarification and articulation of the university's position regarding research in the strategic plan. They also discussed the need to differentiate between publishing papers and conducting research. Members also pointed out the need to develop the needed infrastructure to support research at NSU. Dr. Levy updated the committee members on the HPD's plans regarding a proposed research facility.

6. Other Items of Discussion

- a. BioFlorida (<http://www.bioflorida.com/>)

BioFlorida, Florida's statewide organization promotes biotechnology and related science in Florida by creating a favorable business and legislative environment; provides the platform for business, academia and government to work jointly to support, and encourages development of existing companies in the state and to attract new business and organizations to Florida, will move its south Florida operations to NSU's Health Profession Division.

- b. Compendium of Current Practices in Professional Development for Faculty

The Offices of Research, Planning, and Governmental Affairs and Academic Affairs are nearing completion of a report that presents a university-wide picture of faculty development programs and resources. The report is part of the university's Strategic Plan 1999-2004's Strategy Implementation Projects (SIPs) numbers 2 and 32:

SIP 2: Each academic unit will ensure that all FT faculty members are provided with funding to support their participation in various faculty development activities, including attendance at selected conferences/symposium.

SIP 32: The University will encourage the participation of faculty from various programs in jointly developed, NSU sponsored symposium/conferences.

- c. Best Practices in Online Learning Forum

(<http://spinner.scis.nova.edu/BestPractice/>)

Workshops in Online Learning, the fourth presentation in the series will be presented January 23, 2003 from 2:30 - 4:30 pm in the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center. More information can be found at <http://spinner.scis.nova.edu/BestPractice4/Forum4.htm>

- d. Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Service's Applied Research Office

Dr. Barbara Packer will make a presentation at the January 2003 meeting of the Committee on the Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Service's Applied Research Office (<http://www.schoolofed.nova.edu/aro/>).

7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 21, 2003
8. Adjournment: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM