EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE
ACADEMIC AND APPELLATE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT
RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

2017-2018 Academic Year

1. Membership

Regular Members:  B. J. Kim  
Burrell Montz (chair)  
Ken Ferguson (vice chair)  
Michael Schinası (secretary)  
David Rudel  
Alice Richman  
Zac Domire  
Martin Reardon  
Lori Wacker  
Jeff Coghill  
Michele Stacey  
Regina Dewitt  
Maureen Grady  
Yuanming Feng

Ex-officio Members:  Chal Benson  
Mary Farwell  
Paul Toriello  
Heather Muise  
Yan-Hua Chen

2. Meeting Dates

August 29, 2017

Regular members present:  Burrell Montz, Ken Ferguson, David Rudel, B. J. Kim, Michael Schinası, Yuanming Feng, Alice Richman, Zac Domire, Martin Reardon, Lori Wacker, Jeff Coghill, Michele Stacey, Regina Dewitt, Maureen Grady

Ex-officio members present: Chal Benson, Mary Farwell, Paul Toriello, Heather Muise, Yan-Hua Chen

Others in attendance: Lori Lee

February 13, 2018

Regular members present:  Burrell Montz, Ken Ferguson, David Rudel, B. J. Kim, Michael Schinası, Yuanming Feng, Alice Richman, Zac Domire, Martin Reardon, Jeff Coghill, Michele Stacey

Ex-officio members present: Mary Farwell

3. Subcommittees established during the year
Four subcommittees were established during the year to determine which grant proposals in their academic subgroup to recommend to the full committee:

Health Science Subcommittee.

Members: Yuanming Feng, Jeff Coghill, Zac Domire, Alice Richman, Paul Toriello

Arts and Humanities Subcommittee.

Members: Ken Ferguson, Michael Schinasi, Lori Wacker, Heather Muise

Natural Sciences Subcommittee.

Members: David Rudel, B. J. Kim, Regina Dewitt, Maureen Grady, Chal Benson, Mary Farwell

Social Sciences Subcommittee.

Members: Michele Stacy, Martin Reardon, Burrell Montz, Yan-Hua Chen

4. Accomplishments during the year.

The committee received fifteen (15) grant applications, which were separated into four academic categories, (1) health science, (2) arts and humanities, (3) natural sciences, and (4) social sciences, where the category for each grant was identified by the applicant. The grant proposals were distributed to the subcommittee in the appropriate academic group for scoring and ranking. Each subcommittee recommended one or more grant proposals for funding. After discussing the subcommittee recommendations and a vote by the full committee, the following grant proposals were recommended for funding:

"3D printing and electroplating metal polychrome sculpture." Recipient: Hanna Jubran (Art & Design). Project, funded at $5,718.44.


"Assessment of associations between folate, vitamin B12 and omega-latty acid status and postpartum depression." Recipient: Roman Pawlak (Nutrition Science). Project, funded at $6,250.00.

"An archaeology of the slave trade on St. Eustatius." Recipient: David Stewart (History). Project, funded at $5,936.00.

Funding for these grants was approved and reported in the February 27, 2018, meeting of the Faculty Senate.

5. Reports to the Faculty Senate

At the November 14, 2017, meeting of the Faculty Senate, Ken Ferguson (vice chair of the committee) proposed that the funding date for grant awards be changed to July 1 to give grant recipients a full academic year to utilize their award funds. There was no discussion of the proposal and this proposed revision to the committee guidelines was approved by the Faculty Senate. **RESOLUTION #17-78**

6. Business carried over to next year.

None.

7. Evaluation of the committee

A. Charge: followed
B. Personnel: sufficient
C. Responsibilities: met
D. Activities: recommended faculty to receive grants for research and creative activity

8. Suggestions to the Chair of the Faculty and/or Faculty Senate for improving the effectiveness of the committee.

Increase funding, if permitted by the university budget.

9. Does the committee's organizational meeting next year need to be earlier than the date set this year?

No, but it could be later depending on when the grant proposals become available for consideration by the committee.

Signed:  
Chair  

Vice chair  

Secretary  

[Signatures]