COMMITTEE: Research & Creative Activities

MEETING DATE: February 11, 2015

PERSON PRESIDING: Jay Newhard

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Anne Ticknor, Bernice Dodor, Megan Janke, Jay Newhard, Jason Brinkley, Alex Manda, Katie Ford, Colin Burns, Hanna Jubran, David Conradt

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ali Al-Sharadqah, Qin Ding, Mary Farwell, Ernie Marshburn

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Scoring & Funding of Proposals

Discussion: Jason reviewed how scores were standardized and why this is used to compare proposals across the disciplines and subcommittees. Primary decision is what to do with the $25000 – typically fund one proposal from each of the 4 subcommittees.

Motion: To fund the first place finishers in each of the four subcommittees. 
Motion Passes

If the budget is broken down into different parts – may be harder to determine where to scale down the project for the costs available. If the faculty asked only for stipend this makes it easier to scale down the project per funds. However, could ask the investigator with the next highest score if s/he would be able to scale the project to complete it with the remaining funds.

Options for what to do with the remaining funds (approximately $2877).
1) Of 2nd tier proposals: #2 (asked for all stipend) – could ask to take the remaining funds as partial funding.
2) Could ask faculty to reduce the scope of their project to better ‘match’ the remaining funds available.
3) Could ask Provost/Department/Dean to ‘bridge the gap’ for the 5th proposal funded.
4) Could divide the remaining funds between the top 4 proposals.

Motion: First plan is to approach the Provost to gain additional funds to fund the next proposal (~$3300) on the list.
Motion Passes
**Motion:** If funding is not available with the Provost we will negotiate with one of the other investigators to see if they could accept the partial funds available to use towards their project – without having to resubmit their proposal to the committee.

*Motion Passes*

**Motion:** Move to prioritize the rankings of the proposals as they currently exist in the standardized list and fund them in this order. Attempt to fund one of the next four in the list as they are ranked.

*Motion Passes*

**Motion:** Recommend any of the unfunded proposals in ‘yellow’ (in the second tier) would be recommended for funding to the Provost if funds become available.

*Motion Passes*

**Motion:** If all investigators in the next four proposals on the list (#5-8) do not accept the partial funds, the remaining funds will be divided equally among the 4 top funded proposals.

*Motion Passes*

Action Taken: N/A

Assigned additional duties to:  N/A

Agenda Item:

Discussion:

Action Taken:

Assigned additional duties to:

**NEXT MEETING:** February 11, 2015

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:** University Copyright suggested changes to sections of the Faculty Manual. One section relates to the PRR and the other is on Academic Fair Use.