COMMITTEE: Research/Creative Activities Committee

MEETING DATE: 8-29-2017

PERSON PRESIDING: John Stiller and afterward Burrell Montz

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Regular Members

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ex-officio members

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: John Stiller, Chair of the Faculty Senate; Lori Lee, Secretary of the Faculty Senate

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Receive committee charge.

Discussion: Discussion of the possibility of receiving a training program to guard against implicit bias.

Action Taken: The Chair of the Faculty explained the committee charge and called for election of officers. By consensus the committee members agreed to a visit by an Equity Officer to learn about implicit bias.

Agenda Item: Elect officers.

Action Taken: Elected Officers are:

Burrell Montz – Chair
Kenneth Ferguson – Vice Chair
Michael Schinasi -- Secretary

Agenda Item: Discuss work carried over from previous AY. Discuss possible future work

Discussion: Members of the RCAC discussed remaining work from previous AY. This consists of changing date for disbursement of awarded funds to July 1, as approved by the RCAC in the previous AY.

Action Taken: The Chair of the Committee will seek implementation of this change with Vice Chancellor for Research Golden.

Other possible work for the coming AY: pay greater attention to award recipients handing in a report at the end of their grant; further discuss the question of the different disciplinary categories into which grant proposals are divided (possibly allowing applicants to choose the category in which their proposal is considered); reconsider the format for the grant application.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Schinasi