**COMMITTEE:** 2021/2022 Research/Creative Activities Committee

**MEETING DATE:** Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 4:00 PM, via Teams

PERSON PRESIDING: Joi Walker, Committee Chair

**REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: [update]** Kimberly Anderson, Amanda Haberstroh, Jeffrey Skibins, Uduak Akpan, Linda Bolin, Juan Manuel Escourido, Cynthia Grace-McCaskey, David Griffith, Ariane Peralta, Peng Xiao

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Chal Benson, Rachel Roper, Kathryn Verbanac, Alex Manda

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Rachel Baker, Michael Van Scott

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## **ACTIONS OF MEETING**

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1. Approval of March minutes – by acclamation

- 2. Regulation on Research Conduct (Amanda/Uduack)
  - a. Is there anything about the policy that needed to be addressed?
  - b. There are concerns, but no major changes that need to be made
  - c. Policy is in line with federal regulation
  - d. What's in there is clear and fair, but not always enforced
  - e. Not much language about protecting the respondent; more about protecting the witnesses
  - f. Throughout the document, make it clear that everyone is protected
  - g. Also make it clear that there is an appeal process
  - h. Adherence need an infographic that details steps
    - i. Educate faculty if there is an allegation of research misconduct
    - ii. Formal notification to respondents, complainants, and RIO office, along with responsibilities of each
    - iii. What do aggrieved faculty do if not satisfied? detail the appeal process
  - i. No expectation that there will be major changes made
    - i. Focus is on operationalizing the policy, clarifying the process, and making it more accessible to faculty
  - j. RCA Committee Advice: Research Conduct PRR
    - i. The Committee was charged with reviewing a revised version of this regulation (originally titled "Regulation on Research Conduct"), which appears below. The Committee has been made aware of concerns that persist in the revised version and members have been meeting with several campus offices to gather more information. These meetings are ongoing, and more work needs to be done before the Committee's formal advice is finalized. The committee with clarify the process for this policy and the intersection with other policies. The full formal faculty advice will be presented at a meeting during the 2022-2023 academic year.
- 3. Annual Report will be presented by Joi Walker at next Faculty Senate meeting, highlighting RCA work during the 2021-2022 academic year.
  - a. Faculty Support and Reassignment Award
  - b. Meetings with interim VC M. VanScott

- c. Patent Policy Approval
- d. Centers and Institutes PRR (Alex and Ariane)
- e. Research Conduct PRR (Amanda and Uduack)
- f. RI designation
- g. Graduate Student Stipend Resolution (in progress)
- h. Monthly reports from REDE (Kathy Verbanac)
- i. Revising Charge
- 4. REDE Report Kathy Verbanac
  - a. Discussion of how the committee wants to approach the Centers & Institutes policy subcommittee having someone at the table would be good but it means asking people to agree to another committee meeting. Could help in terms of translating what happens at the subcommittee meetings, as RCA will be asked to advise. Will be decided in the fall.
  - b. New research resources from OFE
    - i. Videorecording/blue screen/editing services.
    - ii. 3 summer students who are experts on Infographics
  - c. See REDE Update April 21, 2022 slide in meeting agenda for full report.
- 5. Adjournment at 4:33.
- 6. Have a great summer!!