Committee on Research Minutes April 5, 2022

Attendance: Glen Whitehead (co-chair); Jessi Smith; Grant Clayton (co-chair); Jessi Komrofske; Mary

Hurless; Lynn Gates; Kathy Prue-Owens; Melinda Hamilton; Charles Zhou; **Absent:** Emily Skop (On Sabbatical) Dmytro Bozhko; Robert Dassanowsky;

Minutes Prepared by: Lindsay Coppa

Edit to minutes from 2.15.22 - replace "instructors vs faculty" to "IRC and TT Faculty"

Motion to approve Minutes: Kathy Prue-Owens;

Seconded: Grant Clayton

Minutes from 2.15 approved unanimously

Strategic Action Item Document

1) consider the metrics of success for our current initiative #1 that we are working on (research framework) and gage how this committee feels about how this initiative has been.

- We have established COR as a Faculty Assembly standing committee.
- Made great strides with our Workload Taskforce to work toward measure #4
- 2) decide on the next items in the strategic plan goals (and metrics) for the coming year in line with the second initiative that we want to tackle "Increase University investment in research faculty, research, and sponsored program support significantly above growth and inflation margins"
 - There are steps being made on other initiatives but we seem to be in a great place to move forward with Initiative #2.
 - Temporary funds have been secured to support pilot testing of a Stats Coordinator, Pre-Award Software, and a part time Grant Writer. As temporary funds, a case will have to be made to continue funding.
 - How will new BAM effect this initiative? We will have to see what is a priority through the governance groups created for BAM. Projects will have to go through the governance to get continued funding.
 - Moving forward we can look into budget for pilot programs and start considering the best way forward.
 - Communication with FA and your areas around campus are so important to make sure that campus is aware of the importance of these pilot programs. The only way we will be able to continue them is if the campus feels that they are worth continuing to fund.

CREST update

- Our <u>Research Development Coordinator</u>, <u>Kelly McNear</u>, is doing a great job and is being kept very busy! Her position is there to help search for grants, review submissions, assist with budgets, and to be a resource for all grant seeking faculty. She will prioritize women and marginalized faculty but is available to help anyone on campus.
- CREST Fest is next Friday (4/15) from 3-5pm in Clyde's. Happy hour drinks and snacks will be provided. See what Project CREST has accomplished this past year.

Other?

• We will need to get another SPA representative.

Meeting Ended: 4:02pm