

## SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

November 19, 2013

Minutes of the Senate Research Committee, held in the CN Boardroom, Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, B.C., commencing at 3:30 pm.

**HEADING** ITEM / DISCUSSION **ACTION** 

ATTENDANCE: T. Dickinson, S. Mahara, T. Fuller, R. Oppong, W. Garrett-Petts, E. Latif, K.

Munich, J.Hu, M. Tawhid, A. Lavack, S.McArthur

**Regrets:** 

**Guests:** Lisa Niro

**Coordinator:** 

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting being duly constituted for the conduct of business,

the Chair called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm

**ADOPTION OF** 

**AGENDA** 

On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED to

approve the agenda as distributed.

**ADOPTION OF THE** 

**MINUTES** 

Minutes of the October 15 meeting not circulated

**BUSINESS ARISING** 

FROM MINUTES

Internal Research Fund (Hu): Particulars regarding the

conditions of the grant were discussed. PI and Co-PI on another are okay, team applications accepted, sessional should apply to

the Student Services fund, term is 16 months. These

clarifications will be on the Application Guidelines document.

PRESENTATIONS: Richard Oppong & Lisa Niro: SSHRG IDG grant research

**REPORTS** AVP Research Report: Internal Research Fund competition will

> be open shortly. Committee suggested that the institution should have a standard equitable distribution of seed funding,

ie. Standardized start-up funds, CGS/PGS funds, etc.

Strategic Research Plan is ongoing, more townhall meetings are

scheduled

**NEW BUSINESS** Mentorship Committee report: There is widespread support for

new faculty and for formal university wide program. The

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development of a mentoring culture/collegiality is necessary to be successful. New faculty are doing research and established faculty could benefit from mentoring from the college culture to a university culture.

<u>UREAP Committee – E.Latif:</u> 21 applications were adjudicated with 11 successful. The competition will be run again in January.

<u>Election of New Chair</u>— E.Latif tenure as chair has come to an end. The committee will need to elect a new chair. Four faculty positions are presently vacant and a call will go out to fill these in December. The Dean of Nursing has been appointed to committee.

<u>R</u>.Oppong nominated Don Lawrence. Unanimous vote in favour. If Don is not interested an email vote for nominations will be circulated.

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**NEXT MEETING** The next meeting will be held on January 21, 2014 at 3:00 pm

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm

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Signature of Chairperson, Chair

Signature of Vice-Chairperson, Vice-Chair (if required)