Minutes
COMMISSION ON RESEARCH
10 October 2019
130 Burruss Conference Room
3:30pm-5:00pm

CoR Documents available to CoR members in Team Drive: CoR FY20

Attendance (quorum met)
Members present: Jeff Alwang, Ralph Badinelli, Rjaram Bhagavathula, Nick Brown, Clay
Caswell (for Lijuan Yuan), Jack Finney, Don Hempson, Matt Holt, Jack Lesko (for Julie Ross)
Liwu Li (for John Phillps), Kevin McGuire, Alan Michaels, Deborah Milley, Tasia Persson,
Jonathan Petters (for Erin Smith), Karen Roberto, Stephanie Trout, Ken Miller.

OVPRI: Laurel Miner, Kim Borkowski

Members absent: Uri Kahanovich, Don Taylor, Robert Vogelaar

Guests:
April Myers - VT Governance
Ginny Pannabecker & Philip Young - Open Access Presentation
Jason Piche, Mark Goodwin, Grant Brewer - VTIP Presentation

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   I.   [3:30] Introductions

   II.   Approval of the Agenda
          A. One change to the agenda: Unfinished Business, Open Access Policy is strictly a
             presentation. Reading will be held at the November meeting.
          B. Approved.

   III. Approval of May 2019 Minutes
          A. Minutes for 5/8/19 and 9/12/2019 approved electronically

   IV.   [3:40] Announcements
          A. University Council meetings 9/16, 10/7; minutes on campus site
             1. CVC kick-off announcement

   V.   [3:45] Unfinished Business
          A. Report of Ongoing Activities

1. Committee on Research Competitiveness – A. Michaels
    a) Chair requested any interest in leading the Committee on Research Competitiveness. Karen Roberto volunteered.
2. University Library Committee – J. Petters (for Erin Smith)
    a) ULC Chair has left and has not yet been replaced.
3. Faculty Senate – B. Vogelaar
    a) No report.
4. Update to Policy 13005 – A. Michaels
    a) Submitted resolution of proposed update for constituent review
    b) Some comments from Laurel Miner and Ken Miller.
    c) Committee will conduct first reading and proposed changes at the November meeting.
    d) Documents in meeting folder.
5. Open Access Policy update – K. McGuire
    a) Submitted resolution of proposed update for constituent review.
    b) Drafts in meeting folder.
    c) Presentation by Ginny Pannabecker and Philip Young.
        (1) Presentation provided an overview of: problem, solution, policy impact, policy summary, draft open access policy, addressing legal issues. Presentation available in CoR folder.
        (2) Website available with FAQ based on questions over the past couple years.
        (3) Elements is a quick and easy way to input your publication.
        (4) Resolution - 1st reading in November (language on clarity)
6. Public Access to Research Data Committee -- E. Grant / R. Baghavathula
    a) Jonathan Petters provided a brief overview. OVPRI, IT and libraries are resources at VT; along with VT Data repository.
    b) Draft report was just completed and will be available in the CoR folder.
B. OVPRI Update – L. Miner
    1. FLSI director position has been posted, please share.
    2. Discussion series: October 15, Brandy Salmon on LINK LICENCE LAUNCH; November 5, John Talerico on Restricted Research, December 17, Trudy Riley on Sponsored Programs.
    3. Foreign influence and transparency of collaborators. Recent memo from NIH regarding concerns and guidelines. Don Taylor also sent a notice out to OVPRI colleagues.
    4. Jack Finney announced that the search for a new Vice President for Research and Innovation is underway. Building a candidate pool in early January, then will review candidates and conduct airport interviews. After spring break, in-person interviews, with a July/August 10 2020 start date.
C. Policy 13005: updated first reading for policy -- A. Michaels

    1. Policy 13005 been sent to other groups for review as part of the governance process.
    2. Intent of update was largely for clarity.   Received a handful of comments from Laurel, no others. Ken Miller provided comments on the programmatic reviews.
    3. Procedures, defined guidelines and fiscal engagement related to programmatic reviews for institutes and centers were further discussed.
    4. Alan Michaels, Ken Miller and Jack Finney will conduct a separate meeting to further review. Chair will send an email mid-month with updates.
   D. Open Access Policy: first reading - tabled until next meeting.

 VI. [4:30] New Business
   A. Presentation: VT Intellectual Property (VTIP) Office and Technology Commercialization Activities – Jason Piche
    1. Presentation covered topics on: LINK, LICENCE and LAUNCH, services offered, and commercialization efforts. Presentation available in CoR folder.
     a) VTIP is an Intellectual Property holding company. Brandy Salmon is serving as chair. There are also efforts in restanding the VTIP governing board.
     b) Other topics of discussion included utilizing the website, innovation toolkit, economic development - local and international.
     c) Discussion of reconstituting the CoR Intellectual Property Committee to provide VTIP support, provide recommendations to VPRI on policy; also set-up as a grievance committee - solve ownership disputes, crafting IP policy (a living document).

 VII. [5:00] Adjournment

*Please take note of the 2019-2020 meetings listed below which will all take place in Burruss Hall 130, from 3:30-5:00 pm, on the **2nd Thursday of each month** (with a few exceptions to accommodate academic year events or breaks)

2019
- Oct. 10
- Nov. 7
- Dec. 5

2020
- Jan. – no meeting
- Feb. 6
- March 5

- April 9
- May 7