COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

Approved Minutes of the meeting on March 14, 2013
Venue: LI 2250

Members Present: Sandip Basu (for Ekin Alakent), Chris Baysdorfer (Chair), Roger Doering, Vahid Fozdar, Zach Hallab, Maria Ortuoste (secretary), Sarah Taylor, Jeffra Bussmann (for Jiannan Wang)

Others Present: Jason Singley (presidential appointee), Endre Branstad, Sophie Rollins, Jerry Chang (student representative)

Members Absent: Scott Fung, Jeremiah Cloud (student representative)

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.

1. Introduction (chair)

2. Approval of the agenda

   Motion by Zach Hallab; seconded by Jason Singley; unanimous approval

3. Approval of the minutes of March 14, 2013

   Motion by Jeffra Bussmann; seconded by Jason Singley; unanimous approval.

4. Report of the Chair

   No meeting during the spring break

   RSCA deadline is April 5. Committee will develop an evaluation scheme during the April 11th meeting. Proposals will be evaluated on April 25, 2013.

5. Report of the Presidential Appointee

   RSCA deadline: April 5, 2013

   Some suggestions were made to improve the format of the new Academic Affairs Newsletter.

   April 22-26 is the week of scholarship which will highlight the work of faculty authors and artists. Student poster presentations are scheduled for April 23, while faculty posters are scheduled on April 24.

   Deadline for new Faculty Awards: April 12, 2013
6. Old Business:
   a. Evaluation of Center for Science and Education proposal
      Motion to approve by Jason Singley; seconded by Jerry Chang; unanimous approval

7. New Business
   a. FDEC 1: Alteration of meeting schedule for the CR and FDEC committees of the Academic Senate; effective Fall 2013
      Proposal for CR to change its meeting schedule from 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 4\textsuperscript{th} Thursdays to the 2\textsuperscript{nd} and 4\textsuperscript{th} Wednesday of every month.

      Chair will write to Senate Chair regarding difficulties in re-scheduling CR meetings.

   b. Evaluation of Student Research Competition Proposals (closed meeting)
      The committee discussed the students’ proposals based on the criteria they adopted in the last meeting. Several proposals will be returned to the concerned students in order to further improve the write-up of their research projects. Some students will be offered mentoring in this regard.

8. From the floor: nothing

9. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.