

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE RESEARCH AND GRANTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING April 10, 2020

Sub. To Exec. Comm. May 13, 2020

Sub. To Acad. Senate _____

POLICY ITEMS _____

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE May 8, 2020

Approved by Exec. Comm. _____

Approved by Acad. Senate _____

Members Present:

Karin Crowhurst (Chair), Michael Bryson, Michael Carter, Zhen Chai, Yi Ding, David McCarty-Caplan, Justin Nicoll, Michelle Rozic, Joanne Scillitoe, Suzanne Spear, Maryam Tabibzadeh

Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Sheree Schragger, Naty Palos

I) Call to order

- Meeting called to order by K. Crowhurst at 10:00 a.m.

II) Approval of March 13, 2020 Minutes

- Minutes unanimously approved

III) Announcements

- **Introduction of new Research and Grants Committee members**

K. Crowhurst welcomed and introduced new members of the R&G committee, Kyle Dewey (College of Engineering and Computer Science) and Andrew Weiss (Library).

IV) Ongoing Business

- **Discussion of Endowment Funds**

K. Crowhurst asked the committee to share their ideas of how to further use the endowment funds going forward. There was a discussion to support the summer grants program, seed grants and possibly some one-time only competitions. It was suggested to continue the discussion in the fall as new needs may arise. All members agreed to have the discussion tabled for the September meeting.

- **Discussion and approval of Intellectual Property policies**

K. Crowhurst asked the committee if they reviewed and discussed the revisions incorporated by S. Schragger. S. Schragger reminded the committee that they are the first group of faculty to review the revisions to this policy before it goes to Faculty Senate. She also mentioned that the Provost would like to review it, and possibly have it also reviewed by the Provost Council. There were some concerns with language regarding patents and copyrights, and J. Scillitoe asked if the Dean of the College of Business and Economics (DNCOBE) had reviewed it given implications for innovation projects housed

in their College. It was suggested to incorporate some additional revisions, and have it reviewed by the Dean of DNCOBE. After the Dean's review, S. Schragger will forward the policy to the committee for their review, and would like to discuss and vote on the policy at the May meeting or by email. All members agreed.

V) New Business

- **Check-in with college representatives on impacts of current shutdown on faculty research and creative activities**

K. Crowhurst checked-in with members regarding impacts that faculty have voiced in their colleges due to the campus shutdown and going virtual with classes. Members mentioned that research which requires hands-on, being in a lab, conferences cancelled across the country for presentations from faculty and students, and libraries being closed, community engagement and deadlines have been affected. Faculty and students are doing their best regarding the circumstances.

K. Crowhurst reminded members that the RSCA application reviews are due by May 4th in order to be ready to review at the May 8th RSCA meeting.

- **Election of chair for 2020 – 2021**

K. Crowhurst reviewed the responsibilities of the position of Chair of the R&G committee and asked for nominations. K. Crowhurst was re-nominated and members unanimously voted her to continue as Chair of the R&G committee for AY 2020-2021.

VI) Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.