**UNL Research Council**

**Jorgensen Hall**

**April 28, 2011**

**MINUTES**

***Present:*** Professors Awada, Barycki, Bloom, Forde, Hoff, Kamble, Ladunga, and VC Paul

***Absent:*** Professors Edwards, Ford, Marx, Shipley and Swearer

***Call to Order:*** Awada called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

***Tour of Jorgensen Hall:*** Ken Bloom gave Council members a tour of Jorgensen Hall.

***Approval of Minutes – March 28, 2011 Meeting:*** Motion was made to approve the minutes. Motion seconded and approved.

***Approval of Visiting Scholar and Symposia/Distinguished Lecturer Applications from March 21, 2011 Deadline:*** Ladunga distributed copies of the subcommittee’s recommendation for funding of these two categories. Ladunga said they received applications from the departments that typically apply. We may want to consider advertising these opportunities in a different manner. There is a need to distribute the funds for these two categories in a more equitable manner. Discussion held on one of the Distinguished Lecturer applications that requested $5,400 in honorarium. We don’t want our mandate to support science to be changed. The subcommittee recommends funding this application at $2,000 vs. the $5,550 requested. Awada noted that this would be an item for the Council to discuss next fall when new members have been assigned. Motion made to approve the subcommittee’s recommendation. Motion seconded and approved.

***Nebraska Lecture Series – Selection of Speakers for Spring and Fall 2012, and Spring 2013.***

Discussion held regarding nominees.

***Election of Vice Chair – AY2011-2012:*** Voting was held to elect the Vice Chair for the 2011-2012 academic year. Ken Bloom was elected Vice Chair for AY2011-2012.

Hoff made a motion to vote an acclamation to Awada for serving as Chair of the Council for the last two years. Her efforts are very much appreciated. Motion seconded and approved.

***Adjournment:*** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.