

UNL Research Council
November 23, 2015, 344A Whittier Research Center
MINUTES

Present: Professors Christensen, Dahab, Dawes, Delserone, Forbes, Geisinger, Jones, Olson, Powers, Soh, Wang and AVCR Goddard.

Call to Order: Powers called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes September 29, 2015: Motion made to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion seconded and approved.

Recommendations for funding applications submitted for the October 9, 2015 deadline: Grant-in-Aid: Dawes talked about the applications the committee had questions about. Dawes also indicated that the committee recommended reducing several of the budgets of the submitted applications. There was additional discussion and a motion was made and seconded to have the committee send their final funding recommendations to Powers. Powers will send out an email to the Council members with the recommendations and ask the members to respond to him via email with their vote on the recommendations. Jones asked to be excluded from the email since she had submitted an application in this category. Faculty Seed Grants – subcommittee 1: Christensen discussed the committee’s recommendations and noted their comments about three of the applications. There was a motion made and seconded to accept the recommendations for funding seven applications. Faculty Seed Grants – subcommittee 2: Soh discussed the committee’s recommendations for funding. There was a motion made and seconded to accept the committee’s recommendations for funding six applications. Interdisciplinary: Jones talked about the two applications they received and why only one should be funded. There was a motion made and seconded to accept the recommendation of funding one application. Visiting Scholar/Distinguished Lecturer/Symposia: Olson discussed the 11 applications they received, 8 for visiting scholar and 3 for distinguished lecturer, no applications were received for the Symposia category. The committee’s recommendation to fund six visiting scholar and two distinguished lecturer applications was voted on and approved.

Nebraska Lecture Series: Powers mentioned he moderated the question and answer session after Dr. Shane Farritor’s October 27 Lecture. Powers also reminded the members the new call for nominations for the Nebraska Lecture Series will go out in January, 2016. The members will need to review the nomination materials that Mari Greer will put out on Blackboard, then discuss their recommendations at the next Council meeting. Jones mentioned she would be on sabbatical in Europe during the spring semester, but will review the nomination materials and submit her recommendations/comments before the next meeting.

Schedule of future meetings: Mari Greer will send out a Doodle poll to find a time for the Council to meet in April or May, for the last meeting of the academic year.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.