

University Enrichment Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 23, 2017, 10AM - 11AM
Misner Room, Collins Library

Attendees: Roger Allen (Chair), Terry Beck, Erin Colbert-White, Bill Haltom (guest), Sunil Kukreja, Rachel Pepper, Renee Simms, Jess Smith, Ben Tucker (guest), Rand Worland.

Call to order: Chair Roger Allen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes:

December 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

Announcements:

Chair Allen reviewed the important dates coming up for spring semester (Register Lecture, Phibbs Research Award, Student Research). We will meet Monday, March 6th at 10AM to review faculty research proposals and to discuss and determine Phibbs award recipient. We will meet Tuesday, April 18th at 8AM for Student Research. We'll meet Thursday, May 4th at 11AM to discuss Register nominees.

Agenda Items Discussed:

The main agenda item was our senate charge: proposed guidelines on publication funding especially for open-access journals.

- Ben Tucker, library liaison, stated that our guidelines look similar to other policies he has reviewed. He mentioned the breakneck speed with which scholarly publishing is changing. The landscape could look very different in 5-10 years. Collins Director Jane Carlin suggested that we add language indicating that our librarians can provide further assistance. We might consider including URL's as a resource if the proposed guidelines are on a website that can be updated.
- The committee had questions on how the guidelines differentiate between funding for books, open access journals, and traditional journals. Suggestions for clarity included: grouping the bullet points based on publication site/format. Also, bullet points 1 and 5 can include this clause for clarity, "in the case of open access journals, it's listed in the Directory of Open Access."
- In bullet point 2, we will remove "in the chosen journal" to be inclusive of all publication sites/formats.

- In bullet point 3, it was suggested that we change the word “proof” to “evidence.” There was a question on how much evidence of negotiation of fees we’ll require that faculty provide.
- We discussed the differences between funding start-up research costs versus publication costs at the back-end. Do we want to consider the stake that faculty have put into a project? The consensus was to use “80%” in the global paragraph because it seems more equitable given the range of possible costs. We will add “Typically” to the last sentence of the global paragraph to indicate that under typical circumstances the UEC will consider publication fees up to 80% of the total cost leaving us some room for case-by-case decisions and discretion.
- The guidelines subcommittee will redraft the proposal to include suggestions listed above. The committee will meet again to review the revised guidelines on Tuesday, February 14th at 8AM.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:57AM

Respectfully submitted,
Renee Simms