University Enrichment Committee April 01, 2009

The meeting was called to order about 15:35.

Present were: Randy Bentson, Bill Barry, Renee Huston, Sarah Moore, John Rindo, Leslie Saucedo, Amy Spivey, Tanya Stambuk, Matt Warning, Rand Worland, and Paula Wilson

Regester Lecture 2009 -

There was discussion of Suzanne Holland's request to schedule her 2009 Regester Lecture to just before Thanksgiving break. The committee agreed to this request, but had concern that attendance might be low on the Monday before Thanksgiving. Moore agreed to work with Holland to see if there might be a better date.

Minutes -

The committee approved the minutes. It was noted that there was no agreement on changing deadlines for student research funding and that discussion of this topic would continue.

Regester Lecture 2010 -

The committee discussed the several applications and chose David Lupher for the 2010 Regester Lecture

Release Time -

There was discussion relating to how the term pre-tenured might bias the evaluation. The committee agreed to simplify the language by removing this term and leaving in the emphasis that those who haven't received release time are encouraged to apply.

Forms revision –

In light of the changes to the release time and faculty research (previous meeting) application processes, Sarah Moore noted that she would also revise the cover sheets to ensure that their instructions were consistent with those published in the Professional Development Handbook. The committee agreed that this was a "housekeeping" detail that they did not need to review.

Returning to the student research funding research request deadlines -

Current deadlines are Nov 10, March 6, and April 10. The motion to eliminate the March 6 deadline was passed. Follow-up discussion involved labeling these to clarify when the research must be done and reported for a given award. Sara Moore will work on language to express this. Her proposal will be reviewed by e-mail.