## University Enrichment Committee Meeting February 12, 1999

**Present:** William Barry, Sarah Brock, Douglas Edwards, John Finney, Wade Hands, John McCuistion, David Smith, Katherine Stewart, David Tinsley, Rand Worland

- 1. Minutes of October 23, 1998 meeting were approved.
- 2. John Finney made two announcements:
- A. UEC proposed to the Budget Task Force that travel grants be increased by \$10,500 per year. The Budget Task Force approved an increase of \$4,000 per year. John will calculate the impact of this amount and report back to the UEC at the next meeting.
- B. The University has received new support for student research in the areas of Humanities, the Arts, and Social Science. All faculty should encourage students to apply for this funding. Sarah Brock raised the question on how best to announce these new funds to students. The announcement has been placed in the Tattler and will also be posted on flyers throughout the campus.
- 3. The committee set the following days/times for Spring 1999 meetings:

Research subcommittee will meet on Mondays at 3:00 p.m. Travel subcomittee will meet on Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. UEC committee will meet on Fridays at 3:00 p.m.

John Finney will send out an email to all UEC members confirming the exact dates of the meetings.

- 4. 2000 Regester Lecturer nomination deadline is February 15, 1999. The committee discussed how to enhance the current nomination process for the Regester Lecturer. Doug Edwards moved that, starting Fall 1999, the UEC discuss and nominate at least five names for the Regester Lecturer during the November UEC meeting, then send letters of invitation to those nominees to submit their applications by the February deadline. The nominations from the UEC would be in addition to those received from other faculty. Edwards' motion was discussed and unanimously approved.
- 5. Release Units Applications for released time (1999-2000) were reviewed by the committee and rank ordered, using a group process. John Finney will forward to Dean Cooney our rankings. In a future meeting, the UEC will further discuss the criteria for selecting faculty who apply for released time.
- 6. John Finney announced at the next UEC meeting he will provide the status of faculty and student research grants (1998-1999)

Respectfully su	ubmitted.
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Katherine Stewart