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USFSP Faculty Research Council and Strategic Planning Subcommittee Meeting  
August 26, 2008, 9:00 AM

Members Present: Cynthia Leung, Chair and Co-Chair of Subcommittee; Chris D'Elia, Co-Chair of Subcommittee; Richard Smith, James Fellows, Kathryn Weedman Arthur, Patricia Pettijohn, Alexander Brice, James McHale

New members, James Fellows and Alexander Brice, were welcomed to the Research Council. Cynthia Leung was nominated to Chair the Research Council for the 2008-2009 academic year, and all members were in favor. Richard Smith will replace John Arthur as USFSP's representative to the USF system-wide Faculty Research Council that meets regularly in Tampa.

The Research Council responded to the USF System Policy for Administration of Sponsored Research Subagreements. Members of the Council recommended that the term "subagreements" be more clearly defined and that the use of purchase orders with subagreements be explained more clearly. Council Chair Cynthia Leung will write a response and submit to Chris D'Elia before the end of the week.

The Research Council and faculty and staff interested in research will comprise the Strategic Planning Subcommittee on Research. The subcommittee was charged with developing measurable objectives for the five strategies related to Goal 4 (Research). Members of the Research Council/Subcommittee unanimously agreed that the goal should be rephrased to read: Promote (instead of support) faculty research and creative scholarship, and engage students in local, (add state), national and international scholarship.

Previously developed strategic plans were reviewed, both the 2003-2008 Strategic Plan and a more recent plan developed two years ago by faculty in the College of Arts and Science. Strategic plans of other universities were also reviewed. The Council discussed setting goals to increase faculty research productivity, including publishing more professional papers, being on prestigious professional boards, applying for more grants, and increasing library holdings.

Members will have an email discussion of ideas. The Chair will organize all ideas to present at the next meeting, which will be held in Davis 124 on Friday, September 5, 2-3 PM. At that meeting, measurable objectives for each of the five research strategies will be more completely developed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Cynthia Leung, 10/12/08