



UNIVERSITY of ALASKA SOUTHEAST

Research and Creative Activity Committee Minutes

Date: Thursday, January 24, 2019 8:30am

Location: Egan Library 211

Members Present:

Jim Powell (chair), Andrea Dewees, Cindy Eriksen, Erica Hill, Kelly Jensen, Matthew Pawlus, Jan Straley, Tom Thornton

Goal for RCA Committee: *To encourage research and creative activities at UAS in all departments, consolidate required documents pertaining to and relevant for those activities, and make life easier for faculty and students that conduct these activities.*

Agenda Items:

1. Draft Open Access Policy (See Attached) – Jennifer Ward
 - a. Jennifer looking for support/endorsement for an open access policy. Submitted a draft policy with language that mirrors UAA's current policy which was adopted in 2013.
 - b. Opportunity to educate faculty on contract language
 - c. Pre-publication copies have rights to be published anywhere.
 - d. Ultimately Jennifer is seeking endorsement and support from the committee for presentation to faculty senate
 - e. Action item: Jennifer will send out a cleaner version of the document to the full committee
2. Provost Review of URECA Proposals – Kelly
 - a. Proposals for URECA need to be reviewed by Provost Carey: there are no issues with this year's submissions. Tom got verbal approval from the Provost to move forward. She sees this as a one time oversight to avoid issues.
 - b. A policy will need to be developed and language in the RFP will be drafted by Kelly for future applications.
3. URECA Symposium participation – Jan
 - a. Jan proposed a video conference for the students who are outside of Juneau to participate. Kelly explains the history of URECA symposium; early on Ketchikan and Sitka opted to do their own symposium. Jan commented that she thinks it will be more successful with more lead time to prepare students.
4. Communication to URECA student Johnson regarding participation in this year's Symposium - Kelly
 - a. Kelly sent two documents to the group regarding this topic. She had a meeting with Michael Ciri right before the break and Michael has asked Kelly and the committee to tell the student she is not allowed to present at the symposium, and send her a letter that states that she has fulfilled her obligations of the project.
 - i. Tom suggests that we invite Michael Ciri to the RCA committee meeting to discuss how this has been handled and to explain the issues so the group can develop a policy.
 - b. The student would like a letter from the committee saying that she has fulfilled her requirements of the project. The committee decided that this letter would be best to come from her advisor, Brian Blitz.