



Tuesday, January 24, 2023

TO: Members of the Committee on Research (CR)
FROM: Jennifer Sherwood, Chair, CR
SUBJECT: **CR Agenda**
MEETING DATE: Thursday, January 26, 2023, 12:45-2:30pm via Zoom
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APPROVED MINUTES

Members Present: Jennifer Sherwood, Michelle Gravier, Chandra Khan, Divya Sitaraman, Katrina Nicholas, Susi Ferrarello, Juleen Lam, Ram Kandasamy
Guests: Mark Robinson, Jeanne Dittman, Sarah Nielsen,
Members Absent: Linda Dobb, Lan Wu

Meeting called to order at 12:50 PM.

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1. Approval of the agenda - motion by Susi Farrarello, seconded by Katrina Nicholas, no comments, none opposed. Agenda approved.
2. Approval of [11/10](#) Minutes - motion by Michelle Gravier, seconded by Juleen Lam. No discussion, none opposed. Minutes approved.
3. Reports
 - a. Report of the Chair
 - i. RSG submissions - tentative timeline, proposals due Jan 31st. Good number of reviewers. Reviewer orientation Feb. 3rd. Reviewers should receive proposals around Feb 7th with around 3 weeks to review. Part of the March 9th meeting will be closed to discuss proposals. Those who submitted will need to leave the closed portion of the meeting. Juleen asked if there were external reviewers, Jennifer noted that there are around 30 reviewers, anticipating each reviewer will review no more than 3 proposals. Only 10 submissions so far, but anticipate getting more closer to the deadline. In past, have received about 45 proposals but anticipate getting a few more this year given that the award amount is increased. Juleen is willing to review, if she's not already on the list.
 - ii. CSU-wide student presentations, hosted by SDSU. The proposal has changed from 5 to 1 page. Proposals are due Feb. 12th. The chair would like the committee to discuss



proposals at Feb 23rd meeting, but that would mean that reviewers would have a week with student proposals. Only can review if student would not be submitting. Michelle Gravier, Juleen Lam, and Susi Ferrarello volunteered to review. Juleen asked how many proposals each faculty would need to review. Jennifer stated that last year there were around 10-12 proposals submitted. Ram said there are 130 CSR students on campus, and Jennifer thinks that many will be interested in submitting. Ram is not yet sure how many will be interested but will try to get an estimate by next week.

- iii. ORSP will have a PI celebration on Friday, Feb 17th from 10-12 in the UU rooms A and B. Introductions to ORSP, celebration with light refreshments, representatives from CSU East Bay centers and institutes. Encourage faculty/Pis to attend. Chandra added that this will include those thinking about submitting grants, not just those who have submitted.
 - iv. Kevin Brown sent info to Chandra about Grad Slam 2023. Graduate students will submit short video of research talk aimed at non-specialist audience. Asking for judges. Chandra added that this is the grad equivalent of the CSU Undergrad research competition. Winners will be chosen to go onto the statewide competition, will get cash prize. Jennifer asked whether CR members will be able to review if they can't attend since the competition will be at the same time as the April 13th CR meeting. Jennifer proposed rescheduling CR meeting to April 20th, and then move last meeting to May 4th. Will put discussion on agenda for next meeting. Susi asked whether it will be online or if faculty can judge from home. Chandra was unsure but will get more details from Kevin and suggested that people keep checking the website.
 - v. CR Policies and Procedures document is reviewed, with a JEDI focus, and is now with Jeanne. Updated policies with JEDI focus and based on NCURA review and recommend removing IRB and IACUC as a CR subcommittees. Next step will be to recommend changes to the faculty constitution and by-laws. Jennifer will start working on that soon.
 - vi. Faculty RSCA subcommittee has sent out an informal survey to help ORSP determine whether initiatives are working. Chandra said it will be nice to have data set to help with metrics because they do not have access to Web of Science or other databases. Michelle asked how the survey is going out. Jennifer said that members of the committee are sending it to persons in the department to pilot it and get information from their own departments to get feedback on the survey first.
- b. Report of the Presidential Appointee - Chandra Khan
- i. So far this fiscal year (6-78 months in) have received \$20.1 million grant dollars compared to 18 million in a typical fiscal year. Hayward Promise neighborhood grant



is \$30 million from the Department of Ed over 5 years; only institution in CA to receive that funding. Beckman Scholars award came to CSUEB and CSR, Ram is PI. Will be recruiting students for that soon. We are writing a lot of grants; so far \$57 million ask in grants submitted compared to \$28 million in a typical year. Because of load, there will be a delay, start proposals early.

1. Jennifer asked for clarification about Beckman. Chandra said we get 2 Beckman Scholars per year, provides substantial amount of support. 6 total scholars.
- ii. Hanover support is going well. Typically support 8 or 9 proposals, but we have 16 so far. Support will continue until next Feb.
- iii. Please plan to attend PI celebration, Grad Slam.
- iv. Will be seating IP committee. Will be asking Sarah Neilson to bring to call to Academic Senate and ExCom for faculty rep.
- v. IRB has 2 full board reviews
- vi. Hiring staff for the ORSP, have consultants supporting. Please let Chandra know if you know of anyone looking for temp job.
- vii. Jenny O going on sabbatical next year, will not be returning to CSR. Will post call for CR director in Feb to begin Fall 2023.
- c. Report of the Subcommittees Chairs
 - i. Nothing to report
- d. Motion to move to Discussion by Juleen Lam, seconded by Michelle Gravier
4. Business
 - a. Nothing to report
5. Information
 - a. Nothing to report
6. Discussion
 - a. 22-23 CR Priorities
 - i. Future Directions
 1. Jennifer says she has extensive list of people that she intended to invite to future meetings. Next plan was to invite Provost, and representatives from Centers and Institutes. Discuss Centers' role and potential funding opportunities. Chandra suggested Smith Center representatives, Christian Roessler. Jennifer suggested Jenny O to discuss CSR and McNair scholarship.
7. Adjournment - motion to adjourn from Juleen Lam, seconded by Susi Farrarello. Meeting adjourned at 1:30 PM.