MEETING DATE: Thursday, March 13th, 2025, 12:45-2:30pm via Zoom

APPROVED MINUTES

Members: Alex Sumarsano, Linda Dobb, Michelle Gravier, Chandra Khan, Surendra Sarnikar, Benjamin Smith, Jenny Hazlehurst, Michael Hall
Guests: Mark Robinson
Absent: Jaesung An, Cocoa Wang

1. Approval of the agenda
    a. No objections, unanimously approved
2. Approval of 2/27/25 minutes
    a. Motion to remove generic information about closed session activities from draft minutes from Linda Dobb. No objections, no abstentions. unanimously approved.
    b. Motion to change to unanimous consent to adjourn from Linda Dobb. No objections, no abstentions, unanimously approved
    c. No objections to approved amended draft minutes. Unanimously approved.
3. Land Acknowledgement
    a. Read by Michelle Gravier
4. **Reports**
    a. Report of the Chair
        i. Jenny Hazlehurst is back from leave and will be joining the committee meetings
        ii. Commitee recommendations for CSU Student Research Competition were shared with OSCAR. They have been working with the selected students to refine proposals. Written proposals are due today.
        iii. Grad Slam/presentation workshop
            1. Grad Slam coming up on April 4th
            2. 30 STEM and 12 NON-STEM applicants. All were invited to the next round, submit video proposal and slide by March 28th.
            3. Grad RSCA Fellows Divya Sitaraman and Michelle Gravier are holding a Grad Slam presentation workshop on March 18th at 10 AM. If students can't make it, it will be recorded. Will review guidelines, scoring rubric, and presentation tips. Any students welcome to attend, but will be focused on Grad Slam specific guidance.
            4. More info forthcoming as it approaches. Encourage students, faculty, staff to attend the competition. 8 students in each category will be selected as finalists

to compete. Cash prizes for the top 2 in each category; top 1 in each category will be invited to compete at the statewide competition.

5. Soliciting alum judge as alum who was slated to judge had to recuse herself as she has potential conflict of interest (works with Divya and one of Divya's students applied).
    a. Benjamin has some people in mind.
6. Benjamin mentioned potential concern around students receiving IRB approval for research presented at the Grad Slam and wondering if there might be a role for the committee. Noted that this might be better as a discussion item. Motioned to amend agenda to add as a discussion item for today or at next meeting. Seconded by Surendra. Added as a discussion item.
    a. Chandra suggested working with Kevin Brown, Director of the Office of Grad Studies, to make sure that students who are engaged in scholarship are aware of this info earlier than the Grad Slam, when they start the program.
    b. Linda related recent experience with student asking to send out a survey. Mentioned that they should have CITI training.

b. Report of the Presidential Appointee
    i. Have been busy with Provost search
    ii. Have not received any stop work orders for active grants. Received rebudgeting approval.
    iii. Encourage faculty to keep writing and submitting grant applications.

5. Business

a. Center for Economic Education Charter renewal - tabled
    i. Comment from Benjamin to make sure that we update template language on C&I Policies and Procedures related to committee name (i.e. change CR to CRSCA)
    ii. Benjamin motioned to table item until next meeting to allow for review. Michelle suggested brief discussion for context prior to tabling. Linda seconded. No objections.
    iii. Michelle noted that there is limited context about how the center has changed (e.g., past activities versus future plans). Linda agreed that there's an issue with "tensing" and focus on future planning, but might be related to the way that the items/questions are phrased. Michelle clarified that questions are phrased this way given that the same template is used for initial applications as well as renewal applications. Chandra added that she met with the director and they were re-imagining the center which also could be why they focus more on future activities.
    iv. Michelle mentioned that there is no budget because there is no income and no expenses, but still have to demonstrate fiscal sustainability, so should have a proposed budget? Benjamin mentioned that it could be difficult to recruit a director with no funds to support the role.

v. Michelle will invite interim director to the next meeting.

b. CLOSED SESSION: RSCA Support Grant Discussion

6. Discussion

a. How CRSCA can help promote IRB compliance - tabled for next meeting due to time.

7. Adjournment

Next meeting will be Mar 27th from 12:45-2:30.