

University Research Council Meeting of February 13, 2023

Attendees: Meredith Bond, Chair

Roman Kondratov (Ex-Officio Member) Benjamin Ward (Ex-Officio Member)

David Choi Roland Pourdavood Maria Gibson Antonie van den Bogert

Tatyana Guzman Adam Voight
Thijs Heus Doug Wajda
Justin Ku Wei Zhang

Meshack Owino

Absent/Excused: Valentin Börner Kevin O'Neill

Guest: Dr. Nigamanth Sridhar

Dr. Kondratov called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

- 1. Approval of Agenda for the February 13, 2023 Meeting Approved and seconded as written
- 2. Dr. Nigamanth Sridhar, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affair
 - Provost Sridhar led an engaging discussion with URC members about the research enterprise at CSU
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the November 29, 2022 Meeting Approved and seconded as written
- 4. Introduction of URC Members
 - Dr. Douglas Wajda was introduced as a new URC member
- 5. Office of Research Updates
 - a. Graduate Faculty Research Support Program
 - For FY23, 27 applications have been approved to date, with 3 applications pending review
 - If the program continues to grow in popularity, the Office of Research will need to establish a priority ranking system
 - The Office of Research will also reconsider changing the eligibility requirements

- Roman will draft revisions to the current guidelines for discussion at future URC meetings
- b. Grant Tuition Program
 - Currently, 36 Ph.D. and MS students are being supported by the Graduate Tuition Program (GTP)
 - ➤ 18 students from the Washkewicz College of Engineering
 - ➤ 27 students from the College of Arts and Sciences
 - ➤ 1 student from the Levin College of Public Affairs and Education
 - The guidelines have been adjusted to allow for a minimum of \$25,000 of indirect costs per year per student instead of \$50,000
- c. Internal Funding Numbers Over the Last Five Years
 - 93 FSI proposals funded for a total for \$542, 953.00
 - 27 FRD applications funded for a total of \$700.007.00
 - These awards have brought in over \$10M in external funding
- 6. College Realignment and Representation on the URC, Update
 - The revised guidelines have been sent over to General Counsel for review and approval
- 7. Review of 2023 Internal Award Application
 - a. Assigning Reviewers for FSI. FRD, and GSRA Applications
 - Proposal review assignments will be sent to URC members via email after the meeting
 - b. Deadlines for Submission of Evaluation Forms to the Office of Research
 - The Office of Research will follow the same detailed timeline as previous years for announcing and publicizing the internal funding opportunities
 - The schedule for this year is as follows:
 - > Tuesday, February 28: FSI reviews due to the Office of Research
 - ➤ Thursday, March 2, 11:00 am −1:00 pm: URC meeting to review FSI proposals
 - > Thursday, March 16: FRD and GSRA reviews due to the Office of Research
 - ➤ Monday, March 20, 10:00 am 2:00 pm: URC meeting to review FRD and GSRA proposals
 - Outlook invitations will be sent out for these two meetings, as well as the important deadlines
- 8. Agenda for the Next Meeting
 - The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 2 from 11:00-1:00, and will be to rank FSI proposals
 - a. New Business
 - No new business was discussed

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.