

ARD Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

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In Attendance: Associate Dean Tala Awada, Dr. Jeffrey Bradshaw, Dean Archie Clutter, Dr. Maria De Guzman, Associate Dean Deb Hamernik, Dr. Michael Hayes, Dr. David Hyten, Dr. Oleh Khalimonchuk, Dr. Jim MacDonald, Dr. Fernando Osorio, Assistant Dean Hector Santiago

Approval of February 28, 2018 minutes

A motion was made by Fernando Osorio to approve the minutes and seconded by Oleh Khalimonchuk and David Hyten. The council members approved the minutes with no objections from the February 28, 2017 ARD Advisory Council Meeting.

AI Update

Tala Awada provided an update. Next steps involve a meeting with Mike Hayes and the ARD leadership team, sending out suggestions to the ARD Advisory Council for comments, and preparing for the fall workshops and implementation for the 2018 AI reporting period.

Graduate Assistantship/FFAR Proposal Update

Archie Clutter provided an update on the latest FFAR developments and the call for proposals for research and professional development due on March 15. A second deadline exists for entities interested in graduate student professional development funding opportunities on June 1, which requires a \$5k commitment per year for three years from the companies participating.

More information on the FFAR Fellows Program visit: <http://www.ffarfellows.org/>

ARD Annual Faculty Meeting Planning

Several ideas for dates and topics were discussed. Archie Clutter will get a date confirmed and Save the Dates sent out to faculty as soon as a location is finalized.

ARD Advisory Council Leadership Transition in August

This is Mike Hayes' last meeting as Chair. David Hyten will become Chair starting on July 1, 2018. At the first meeting in the 2018 fall, a Chair-Elect will be appointed by the Advisory Council. Four members have terms that are expiring on June 30, 2018: Maria De Guzman, Emie Yiannaka, Jeff Bradshaw, and Mike Hayes. Elections will be held for these positions.

Updates from the Deans

The First Annual ARD Hatch Multistate Project Directors meeting will be held on June 12-13 in North Platte, NE.

Deb Hamernik has taken the lead in scheduling sessions for faculty to join to learn more about the AFRI SAS request for applications. The first session is scheduled for May 9th in the NEU.

There were 60 Larrick Whitmore applications submitted this year to ARD. It was discussed by those on the advisory council that are on the review committee for these applications that the group will divide the applications evenly to review. Once each person has reviewed their 15 applications they will submit their best 4 or 5 recommendations to Tala Awada before the review team meets to discuss. The team will only be able to fund between 14-16 applications submitted.

Hector Santiago is finalizing the ARD 2018 Wheat Innovation Request for Proposals and will start to recruit a panel of members to review the applications submitted.

Archie Clutter has formed a Director's Leadership Council that will include those that are center directors and leaders of program initiatives that are affiliated with IANR. The group plans to meet at least three times per year, one of which will be at the IANR Leadership Advance.

Additional Topics and Discussion

Archie Clutter provided an update of the Master Services Agreement process. Hector Santiago has a document prepared that includes a decision tree that will provide some clarity in distinguishing sponsored research projects from fee for services and then those from gifts. Hector and Archie plan to share this with Mike Boehm (IANR Vice Chancellor), Chuck Hibberd (Dean, Extension) and Bob Wilhelm (ORED Vice Chancellor). Once this is complete, Archie will work on getting communication out to faculty regarding the process. Jeff Bradshaw provided his perspective and mentioned that faculty are looking for guidance.

Next Meeting – TBD for fall 2018

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ashleigh Ravnika