

Meeting Minutes

Associate Deans for Research

Friday, December 12, 2014, 9:00-10:30 a.m.
SEB 2251

1. General Announcements/Updates
 - a. CoRE Update – Jennifer Keene

Jen noted that the CoRE fellows are meeting regularly; they are currently trying to identify infrastructure support and processes to support CoRE sustainability. It is challenging to determine productivity that is specifically attributable to CoRE, but they are hoping to develop performance metrics in the spring. It was suggested that any funding success of members of interdisciplinary CoRE groups could certainly be considered a measure of CoRE success.

2. Center for Research, Evaluation and Assessment (CREA) – Gregg Schraw

This Center was recently reactivated at the urging of Gregg Schraw, and he and the college are actively promoting its wide-ranging services to all colleges on campus. It was suggested that networking should be supported among those clusters of faculty across campus with quantitative research skills such as those offered through CREA. Gregg offered to serve as a contact point for this type of networking, and the Division of Research and Economic Development will help promote both the Center's services and networking among these clusters. Gregg will send promotional material about the Center for inclusion in an upcoming Research News.

3. Undergraduate Research Office – Brian Hedlund

Brian reported on the recent posting of the position for the Director of Undergraduate Research and urged the Associate Deans to share this news with possible candidates in their colleges. The timing of the position was discussed, as was possible support from CSUN. It was suggested that the office move quickly to inquire about the CSUN funding support in this academic year.

4. Other Updates – Stan Smith

Sue updated the Associate Deans on the upcoming effort to gather data on the Carnegie variable of “non-faculty researchers holding doctorates,” adding that their assistance will be needed in January. They will be asked to confirm/provide info on staff members who fall into this category.

5. Spotlight on Research – Shannon Smith
 - a. College of Education

Shannon introduced Kimberly Kendrick, the new proposal development staff person hired to support three colleges on STEM funding initiatives (Colleges of Education, Science, and Engineering).

Shannon also provided an overview of the College of Education's new website, as well as many of the research initiatives, funded projects, and centers/institutes located in the College of Education. He noted that the college is asking all new faculty members to submit at least one grant proposal annually. He also hopes to form an advisory board.

6. Volunteer for Spotlight on Research in January – Stan Smith

Stan asked for the Associate Deans to consider who might volunteer for this at the next meeting and to let Jill know.

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

January 13 – 2015 STEM Summit, SEB Auditorium

January 20 – Half-Day Centers Leadership Training, Tiberti Board Room (LLB #3281)

Next Meeting:

Friday, January 16, 2015, 9:00-10:30 a.m. in SEB 2251