COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH
Minutes of the Meeting of
Thursday 11 February 2021
2:30 – 4:00 pm

Present: I Al-Anbagi (Chair), R Blake, C Butz, A Douai, J Farney, S Gray, S Hirani, L Hoeber, K McNutt, D Meban, S Manoharan, G Novotna, R Paranjape, S Petty, K Phillips, C Ramsay, N Reid, T Salm, B Schneider, L Watson, C Yost, S Zilles

Regrets: J Wagner

Resource: L Todd

Guests: T Dahms, C Oriet

INTRODUCTIONS
Roundtable introductions were done for the new members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Blake/Novotna
Moved that the agenda be approved as presented. CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 3, 2020
Ramsay/Blake
Moved that the minutes of December 3, 2020 be approved as presented. CARRIED

CHAIR’S REPORT
Nothing to report at this time.

VP RESEARCH REPORT
K McNutt advised that a call for CRC’s went out and she asked everyone to work with the Research Office. A subcommittee of 3 tri-council leaders and 3 elected members will chose the chairs. K McNutt also advised that she held a town hall with the President of SSHRC and will be doing one with CIHR and NSERC.
INDIGENOUS RESEARCH SHOWCASE UPDATE
S Gray advised that KHS is doing an event on March 10; Pam will post the information to the website. An appeal will go out to all ADRs to let the Research Office know of any events they are planning and they will help promote them.

SSHRC-NSERC LEADERS MEETING DISCUSSION
K McNutt introduced T Dahms and provided some background information. T Dahms provided a short executive summary of the virtual joint annual SSHRC-NSERC meeting. The pandemic was the primary focus with other discussion on operationalizing EDI and new tri-council initiatives.

Additional discussion took place on the following:
- CFI portfolio; C Yost is the lead
- concern with relationship to space
- marry physical versus virtual research
- virtual forum space

CARE AND USE OF ANIMALS POLICY CHANGES
S Gray provided some background information to the revisions to Policy RCH-020-005. She advised they are minor wording changes in the normal course of policy updates. Discussion took place regarding additional wording changes.

Yost/McNutt
Moved that the Council Committee on Research approve the discussed changes to Policy RCH-020-005.
CARRIED

S Gray will provide an updated copy to L Todd for submission to Executive of Council. C Yost will present the policy revisions to Executive of Council.

POST COVID-19 RESEARCH RECOVERY DISCUSSION
Committee discussion took place on the following:
- senior CFI members mentoring junior members
- productivity and home-life responsibilities
- working on research productivity with EDI group
- inability of researchers to get to their data
- mental health footprint when COVID-19 is over
- how do we measure productivity and judge research?
- SSHRC section on special career circumstances
- campus-wide surveys / moodle site on research challenges
- extension requests and how to deal with them
- peer review process / campus merit committee
I Al-Anbagi suggested a subcommittee be formed to develop recommendations to CCR. The following individuals volunteered for the subcommittee:

I Al-Anbagi       Z Douai
G Novotna        N Reid
S Petty          S Hirani
S Manoharon

An initial meeting will be set up to develop the Terms of Reference and expectations of the subcommittee.

**NEW BUSINESS**
Remove the Ad-hoc Research Space Allocation Committee from the list.

**ADJOURNMENT**
G Novotna moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:44 pm