

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

Minutes of the Meeting of
Thursday 19 November 2020
11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Present: I Al-Anbagi (Chair), R Blake, C Butz, B Dupeyron (for J Farney), S Gray, A Henni, L Hoeber, N Jones, K McNutt, D Meban, G Novotna, S Petty, C Ramsay, N Reid, T Salm, L Watson, C Winter, C Yost

Regrets: F Freddolini, S Manoharan, B Schneider, J Wagner, S Zilles

Resource: L Todd

Guests: M Beitel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ramsay/Petty

Moved that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 8, 2020

Ramsay/Petty

Moved that the minutes from October 8, 2020 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

CHAIR'S REPORT

I Al-Anbagi advised that K McNutt e-mailed Research about SciVal. An account has been created and it was suggested that faculty use this tool. It was suggested that possibly having the Research Impact Subcommittee look to see how we can use this tool to improve research impact.

Concern was raised regarding community based research not being evaluated the same way. It was very hard to measure community research; hopes the subcommittee categorizes and classifies this research.

Another concern was raised regarding building a culture of competition with other peers. How does it build a collaborative versus competitive culture? It was pointed out that this is just one tool, of many, how we measure impact. There is nothing in there about performance. It was suggested that we use the subcommittee to help communicate the advantages of using this tool and to set up special training sessions with our colleagues.

I Al-Anbagi advised that R Blake's report was highlighted at the last Executive of Council meeting. He thanked R Blake for all his work over the past years.

VICE-PRESIDENT (RESEARCH) REPORT

K McNutt welcomed N Reid as the representative for the Research Centres. She also welcomed B Dupeyron, who is representing Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School at this meeting (in J Farney's absence).

K McNutt restated that SciVal is just one tool that you can use if you wish. She advised that she is working with M Stewart regarding community based research. They are looking at the impacts of community based research.

K McNutt also advised:

- they received two CFI grants in Science; just shy of \$3.0 million
- they are going forward in January with two new research chairs
- we do not have to go external any longer
- faculties can submit more than one application

CCR DECISION ON DISSOLVING SUBCOMMITTEES

I Al-Anbagi advised that discussion took place at the last CCR meeting regarding dissolving subcommittees, but no formal decision/motion was made. Further discussion took place the CCR Standing Subcommittees.

Yost/Gray

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| Moved that the NSERC and Research Trust Fund/Sabbatical Research Grant subcommittees be dissolved. |
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CARRIED

Discussion took place regarding the Ad-hoc Subcommittees and it was determined that these subcommittees will remain. It was suggested that we re-establish the Research Impact Subcommittee and put out a Call for Volunteers. Ideally we would like three volunteers with one being an elected member.

INDIGENOUS RESEARCH SHOWCASE UPDATE

S Gray provided an update on the Indigenous Research Showcase. There will be a workshop on November 5 on community perspectives. She hasn't heard about any other events at this point.

GABRIEL DUMONT CHAIR IN MÉTIS/MICHIF EDUCATION PROPOSAL

T Salm briefly review the proposal for the establishment of the Gabriel Dumont Research Chair in Métis/Michif Education within the Faculty of Education.

Watson/Reid

Moved that the Council Committee on Research approval the proposal for the establishment of the Gabriel Dumont Research Chair in Métis/Michif Education within the Faculty of Education.

CARRIED

C Yost advised that we will try to get this on the November 25 Executive of Council agenda, however the deadline was last week so it may not be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING

I Al-Anbagi advised that the third elected member of CCR position is vacant. We will hopefully have a new member at the next Executive of Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

T Salm moved that the meeting be adjourned at 11:38 am.