

FDC Agenda

MEETING: Friday, February 15, 2019

1.00 pm, Miller Hall

Room # 1308

- The first (and major) order of business is to discuss and finalize the Faculty Research Grant (FRG) Process. Roger Wareham and Amber Spratlin (of ORSP) is invited to discuss the entire scope of the FRG. This year a number of things like the scope of grant topic coverage, when can the grant money be used and more were decided on the fly. FDC wants it all to be etched in stone, so next year the office of ORSP can outright answer these questions. I will bring emails about the concerns brought up, and we will (ORSP and FDC together) try to solve them, once and for all. Roger has put together a write-up of frequently asked questions and answers. It is very helpful. I will bring copies of that.
 - 1) Increasing the scope and coverage of the FRG.
 - 2) What part of the grant can be budgeted as summer salary
 - 3) Funding period of FRG
 - 4) Number of FRG application that can be done per person, single and/or co-authored. Answer is “1.”
 - 5) Length of the FRG. It is spelt out but there were still questions coming up. Needs clarification. I will “read” from the email sent this time.
 - 6) Who can and cannot review grants
 - 7) Grant review will be a single step process with 3 random reviewer’s per proposal. The average is the final score. Yes or no?
 - 8) List of this year’s reviewer’s. Question: If an FDC member is applying for FRG, they cannot be a reviewer. Right
 - 9) Timeline. There is no FDC meeting in March. So how does FDC decide the grant allocations? By email, once we get the final points tally from ORSP?
- We will then approve the minutes of the last meeting.
- Other business has to wait till the next meeting, since the FRG process needs a major overhaul, and it is the primary responsibility of the FDC to do that. Roger is all set to do it, so we (the FDC) will try to finalize this first.