

Research Advisory Board

February 9, 2011

Carman B75

3:00 pm

Minutes

Attending: Stephanie Endy, Cecelia Cutler, Michael Ferraro, Mira Goral, Jeanette Graulau, Alan Kluger, Dina LeGall, Janet Munch, Anne Rothstein

1. Election of Faculty Chair
The faculty present unanimously voted Mira Goral as Faculty Chair of the board for the year.
2. Approval of Minutes
3. The board voted to approve the minutes from April 2010 with one abstention. Final vote on revised recommendation to the Provost on reassigned time for research active faculty
Votes were collected in person and via email: the majority approved with seven board members not voting.
4. Updates
 - a. Research Brochure: The Provost is working on getting editing help for the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs
 - b. Annual Reports from FY2010: Copies were available for those who did not receive it in the mail or who wished for an additional copy.
5. Pending Items
 - a. Improving research infrastructure: The board agreed to incorporate this item into beginning to look at a Strategic Plan for Research. The board's approach will incorporate a look at the current climate for research, including impediments that are still in place. The board would also like to review the research incentives that are currently in place and their accessibility. Prof. Goral requested that members bring to the next meeting any ideas they have for stimulating both research and grant submissions at the college.
 - b. Indirect Costs at Lehman College: Stephanie described the current regulatory underpinnings to indirect costs and a discussion of how the college uses recovered indirect costs followed. The discussion included recoveries to the college, how these recovered funds are used, and recent trends in their volume and use.
 - c. The board decided to leave the process of faculty member rotation as is.
6. New Items
 - a. Strategic Plan for Research: The board agreed that we would begin to address this issue next meeting and will use the list of incentives and other documents from Stephanie as a starting point.
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