



## RESEARCH COUNCIL MINUTES

**Date:** March 12, 2019

**Start Time:** 3:00 PM    **Adjournment Time:** 4:03 PM

**Location:** Sandel 209

**Meeting:** X Regular; \_\_\_\_ Special

<b>CHAIR</b>	Joydeep Bhattacharjee
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Jana Sutton
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Nektarios Baraboutis, Jean Chamcheu, Leigh Hersey, Judith Kalinich, Susan Lacey, Megan Lowe, Siva Murru, Paul Wiedemeier
<b>ABSENT (excused)</b>	Girish Shah,
<b>ABSENT (other)</b>	
<b>GUESTS</b>	

### AGENDA

- Undergraduate Research Symposium

Dr. Wiedemeier discussed the possibility of the research-symposium-planning to be re-housed under the OSPR and the Research Council, as opposed to Academic Affairs. The council members were unanimously in favor of this, but discussed several needs in order for the transition to be smooth and for the symposium to be in vision with the university's increased focus on research. Dr. Lacey suggested the possibility of moving toward including other institutions in ULM's research symposium. Council members agreed to it and discussed increasing the focus on graduate students, as well as undergraduate students. An advertisement budget and an internal commitment to adequately and widely market the event is also needed. Other budgetary needs include location, refreshments, and medallions. Council members unanimously discussed the wisdom of the research symposium being under its umbrella. Suggested next steps include developing a vision, goals, and a subcommittee within the council to work closely with the current symposium task force. Wiedemeier will head this subcommittee given his five years of experience planning and heading up the symposium.

- Emerging Scholars Program

Council members also by general consent agreed to the wisdom of the Emerging Scholars Program being under its umbrella. Redefining the vision and expectations of the program will be a focus for the council, if the program is moved under the auspices of the research council. Guidelines for students and faculty regarding

eligibility, participation, timeframes, and outcomes will be developed. Dr. Wiedemeier suggested presenting at the symposium as a minimal requirement.

- Intellectual Property & Technology Transfer and Compensation through an Award Policy

Dr. Bhattacharjee thanked the council members for sending feedback on these policies and reported that he incorporated all feedback and sent final drafts to Dr. Sutherlin in OSPR.

- Other

Dr. Lacey discussed the need for a research strategic plan to be developed and adequate resources (such as an administrative assistant) to be dedicated to the council, in order for all research related issues to be coordinated and intentional. Faculty research and workload policies should be included in this strategic plan, as well as the previously discussed focus on student research. The council is committed to assisting with ULM's goal of attaining SREB Four-Year 2 status.

Approved by committee/council chair	Yes - ✓	on 3/20/2019
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