



## Research Challenge Meeting of

October 19, 2011

### MINUTES

<b>Attendees:</b>	Sawicki, Jerzy, Chair Belovich, Joanne Komar, Anton Sridhar, Nigananth	Austrian, Ziona Goodell, Joanne Krasniansky, Maria Wilson, William
<b>Absent/Excused:</b>	Long, Tim Tebeau, Mark	Mazumder, Barsanjit

1. Approval of the Agenda for the October 19, 2011 RCC Meeting  
Agenda was approved and seconded as written.
2. Approval of Minutes of the RCC Meeting April 12, 2011  
Minutes from the April 12 meeting were approved and seconded as written
3. Status of Research Challenge Issues and Updates - Jerzy Sawicki  
Dr. Sawicki reviewed the goals and successes of the RCC from Spring 2011 semester with the Committee. Listed below are the specific topics:
  - a. Compensation policy for post-docs and research associates (grant funded positions) and grant hiring issues.
  - b. Faculty Summer salary
  - c. PeopleSoft issues
  - d. Teaching Labs & Course Teaching loads for research active faculty
  - e. Research Faculty vs Research appointees
  - f. Graduate Tuition Surcharge
  - g. Grants Management project is on schedule
  - h. Research survey – there were fewer responses in the Spring than in the Fall semester
  - i. Updated the committee on Research Centers – have to have a website in order to count as a centerSee attached power-point presentation for details.
4. Open Discussion
  - a. Research Challenge Committee continuation  
The Committee unanimously agreed to continue. The Committee members stated that there are additional issues to be addressed (example PeopleSoft purchasing).
  - b. Pending issues

- i. Endorsement of Graduate Faculty status requirements assessment  
This has not been completed. The committee informed the Chair that in order to teach 500+ level courses faculty must belong to Graduate Faculty. The RCC suggested it be tied to advising or being current in discipline/field rather than tied to teaching. However, the RCC stated that this may not be an appropriate issue for the committee but more appropriately for Graduate Council consideration.
  - ii. Collaboration among faculty (multi-discipline research)  
This should be up to faculty to seek out others in his/her discipline to collaborate with on projects/grants and other research related activities.
  - iii. Communication between RCC and College Deans  
The Chair of the Committee has communicated with the Deans on the purpose and goals of the Research Challenge Committee and received the Dean's endorsement. The Chair will continue to communicate the committee's purpose/goals going forward.
  - iv. Faculty expertise data base  
The Committee informed the Chair that in most Colleges it is the responsibility of faculty to update their profile(s) and there is no requirement for periodic updating.
  - v. Other  
The Research Challenge Committee would like to visit all Colleges on campus to determine how they operate in order to get a better understanding of their need(s), and ideas of new business to bring to the Research Challenge Committee.
5. New Business  
Arrange potential meetings between CSU faculty and relevant industry leaders to promote collaboration, creation, and marketing of products/ideas. It would be a free form meeting without an agenda covering a broad section of topics to attract the maximum number of attendees.
6. Next Research Challenge Committee Meeting Date: TBD  
The RCC recording secretary will send an email requesting Council's availability to meet in November.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Attachment