

Year-End Report

1. Council: RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE EXPRESSION COUNCIL

2. Academic Year: 2016 - 2017

3. Council Members:

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| 1. College of Arts & Communication | Klive Oh (Fall); Angie Yoo (Spring) |
| 2. College of Business | Tao Guo |
| 3. College of Education | Lisa Warner, Co-Chair |
| 4. College of HSS | So Yon Rim (Fall); Carrie Masia (Spring) |
| 5. College of Science & Health | Carey Waldburger |
| 6. Library | Pamela Theus, Co-Chair |
| 7. Professional Staff | Jay Davis (Fall) |
| 8. Adjunct | Kwan-Lamar Blount-Hill |
| 9. Ex-Officio | Martin Williams, OSP |

4. **Council Charges and Summary of Council Activities** (please list the council's charges - both standing charges and charges for that particular academic year - and describe any significant discussion/progress related to each charge):

STANDING CHARGES:

1. Promote Faculty, Librarian, Professional Staff, and Adjunct Faculty scholarship; identify, on an ongoing basis, current and anticipated faculty, librarian, professional staff and adjunct faculty needs with regard to scholarship and research and recommend strategies designed to meet those needs.
2. Support the continued efforts to build academic research networks on and beyond the William Paterson campus.
3. Review, yearly and as needed, the policies, procedures, and guidelines for each of the following:
 - a. Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human subjects
 - b. Scientific and Academic Fraud and Misconduct
 - c. Assigned Research Time Application and Selection

2016/17 CHARGES:

1. Develop proposal for revising the application and award process for the Open Access Publishing Pilot Program.
2. Based on the Group i&i report, develop proposals to ensure implementation of outcomes from Survey of Faculty Needs for Research, and work with Deans to address college-specific survey recommendations.

COUNCIL ACTIVITY:

Standing Charges

1. **Promote Faculty, Librarian, Professional Staff, and Adjunct Faculty scholarship; identify, on an ongoing basis, current and anticipated faculty, librarian, professional staff and adjunct faculty needs with regard to**

scholarship and research and recommend strategies designed to meet those needs.

See Charge 2 for 2016-2017.

2. Support the continued efforts to build academic research networks on and beyond the William Paterson campus

In September 2016, Pamela Theus and Martin Williams made individual presentations to the Education Committee of the Board of Trustees regarding the outcome of the University's first Culture of Research Conference, and the expansion of research activities into a week labeled *Explorations*.

In November 2016, Council met with Pam Brillante, Chair of Senate Academic Standards Council, to provide input on their proposal to revise the University policy on Independent Study.

Explorations, the University umbrella for all research activities, was conducted throughout the month of April. Programs included:

1. Honors Week Student Research Presentations
2. Interdisciplinary Poster Sessions
3. College and Council Sponsored Presentations
4. UPS Computer Information Technology Lecture
5. David & Lorraine Cheng Library Authors Reception
6. Office of Sponsored Programs Award Recipient Recognition
7. 11th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium

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- a. **Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human subjects**
- b. **Scientific and Academic Fraud and Misconduct**
- c. **Assigned Research Time Application and Selection**

No review of (a) and (b) was deemed necessary this year. The structure of ART (c) was discussed extensively at the RSCE fora and retreat over the Fall and Spring semesters.

Charges for 2016-2017:

1. Develop proposal for revising the application and award process for the Open Access Publishing Pilot Program

While a proposal for revising the process was not accomplished, conversations were held with Richard Kearney, Electronic Resources Librarian in Fall 2016 and Spring 2017. Richard shared information on policies from other schools and provided updates on the current process at WPU. Another reason for the delay is the recent hiring of the Digital Archives Librarian. The RSCE Council recommends that this

charge be forwarded to 2017-2018, and incorporated into development and proposal of a University Open Access Publishing Policy.

2. Based on the Group i&i report, develop proposals to ensure implementation of outcomes from Survey of Faculty Needs for Research, and work with Deans to address college-specific survey recommendations.

To begin, all work and progress was accomplished seamlessly in collaboration with Group i&i, and OSP.

During the fall semester, the group planned and hosted three informational fora, providing opportunities for the William Paterson University community to “generate solutions, priorities and insights that will lead to the development of specific, implementable decisions during the stakeholder retreat.” Faculty, administrators and students were invited and each forum was well attended.

The April Retreat was developed to review the recommendations identified in the previous forums, “with the intent to act on those considered within reach, and set in place a mechanism for addressing others in the longer term.” As the academic year comes to a close, the RSCE Council will propose membership for a Working Group - to be convened and charged by the Provost - to “translate the results of the retreat into specific plans of action and begin implementation.”

Recommended Charges For The Next Academic Year (2017-2018):

1. Develop and propose to Faculty Senate a university-wide Open Access Policy. Develop proposal for revising the application and award process for the Open Access Publishing Pilot Program
2. Clarify and articulate the meaning, value, and role of RSCE activity by faculty and students.
3. Collaborate with and provide support to RSCE Working Group.

Submitted by,
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