## UNDSMHS Research Committee Wednesday, August 28, 2024 Virtual Zoom Meeting

**Present:** Sarah Sletten, Colin Combs, Motoki Takaku, Masfique Mehedi, Sandeep Singhal, Pukana Jayaraman, Mikhail Golovko **Absent:** Andrew Williams, Don Sens, Shawnda Schroeder, Brad Gibbens, Collette Adamsen, Ken Ruit, Avish Nagpal, Parveen Kumar

Agenda Item	Summary	Action/Follow-up
Call meeting to order	Meeting began at 2:05 pm via Zoom.	
Approval of minutes from July 24, 2024.	July minutes were sent out prior to the meeting.	A quorum was not present, so minutes could not be voted on/approved.
SMHS Pilot grant: review and decision update (Dr. Andrew Williams)	Dr. Andrew Williams was unable to attend, so did not discuss this. Reviews are due to him by September 2.	
FLRD 2025: update and planning (Drs. Adamsen, Takaku and Mehedi)	Dr. Mehedi shared document with tentative schedule with the group.  He will reach out to find best timing for students.	Dr. Mehedi will make changes to schedule and reach out to potential keynote speakers. He'll share updates with the group at the next meeting.
	Notes from committee members: add a break into the morning session between speakers, lower number of faculty presentations and raise the number of student presentations, have three categories for both student and faculty presentations: health science, basic, and clinical.	
Increase animal care charge policy: committee's role in coordinating between faculties and CBR (Drs. Golovko and Mehedi)	Dr. Golovko shared concerns with the group about price increases. Budgets included in grants are not enough once the project starts. Another concern about those who are not extramurally funded being able to afford the expenses.  Could VPR office help support these expenses?	Will discuss topic at next meeting when quorum is present.
	Dr. Combs spoke to the VPR about this already but unclear on what the outcome will be.	
	Committee should not go directly to VPR office with concerns. Instead concerns could be brought to the Dean's Office and Dr. Wynne or Combs will bring to VPR office.	

Virtual meeting & greet: committee's initiative (Dr. Mehedi)	Dr. Mehedi proposed virtual meet & greets for students and faculty members to learn about concerns and expectations from research committee. Concerns would then be brought to the committee to discuss.  All students would be targeted for the meet & greet. Sarah suggested sending out a survey first instead of a meeting.	Will hold on this for now and will discuss at the next meeting.
New initiatives discussion: Biosafety level 3 (BSL3) laboratory or a small animal facility establishment (Dr. Mehedi)		Will discuss at the next meeting.
Updates to Research website	https://med.und.edu/research/experience-for-medical-students/index.html  On this page, a link was added to Sanford survey that medical students can fill out to be contacted about research opportunities.	
Announcements	N/A	
Adjournment	Meeting ended at 3pm.	