

UNDSMHS Research Committee
Tuesday, July 27, 2022
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Present: Don Sens, Marc Basson, Jonathan Geiger, Jamie Foster, Masfique Mehedi, Colin Combs, Shawnda Schroeder, Seema Somji, Brad Gibbens, Ken Ruit,

Absent: Ursula Running Bear, Nicole Redvers, Andrew Williams, Kathryn Shahwan

	Summary	Action/Follow-up
Call meeting to order	Meeting began at 2:02 pm via Zoom.	
Approval of minutes from May 2022	Motion made by Dr. Geiger to approve the June minutes and seconded by Dr. Schroeder. The motion was approved unanimously by attending members.	
Welcome new members	Welcome new members Brad Gibbens, Katie Shahwan. Andrew Williams in not in attendance.	Brad introduced himself and the other two new members were not able to attend. Susan will reach out to Katie.
Core Report Reviews	Purpose of review: Provide feedback and suggest recommendations for improvement. If the core is functioning satisfactory, no recommendations.	
Genomic Core – Dr. Sens	Wonderful job. – 3 positions – 2 filled and one still open. Equipment list mostly purchased from CTR and COBRE. Some funds from Dean’s office. Usage 134 samples, Darby not listed of what was done. One user from outside UND. Turnaround time between 4 – 6 weeks. Total expenses \$278,000 – 70,000 recovered - \$27,000 service contract –publications – 11 with 7 being published – posted presentations 20 – 40 posters. Grants submitted were 10 with 5 being awarded. Would like to see more information on methodology. Epigenetics Core – Not sure what year it this core in? Position has been vacant for a long period of time. They are in danger of losing funding for the position that is funded by the Dean’s office.	

	<p>Research Committee is expressing concern for the importance to demonstrate to fill this position. The Dean's office continues to support the funding for the position. Please provide demonstration of the need for the position and the plan for filling the position. Motion by Dr. Geiger and seconded by Dr. Somji, all in favor, motion is passed.</p>	<p>Dr. Foster will follow up on this motion.</p>
<p>Flow & Cell Sorting Core- Dr. Mehedi</p>	<p>3 personnel in core – Dr. Bradley is PI. Equipment just under \$1 million. Mostly purchased by COBRE, INBRE, CTR. 670 hours of use. Balance \$182,000 - no fee collection, 6 papers published, 1 presentation, 6 grants submitted to NIH with 3 awarded, Customer Satisfaction survey – mostly good comments.</p> <p>One cell sorting machine is not working. The Sony shut down for a year during COVID. Now they are back on contract.</p> <p>Dr. Geiger made the motion to clarify why we are paying the service contract for a machine that is not working? Dr. Foster seconded the motion. Update committee on the function of the core equipment. Amend the motion to add the availability of the equipment.</p>	<p>Please clarify if all machines are working and if they are not working, please provide the plan to get them working. Please justify the cost of the \$31,000 in service contracts if the machine is not working.</p> <p>Dr. Foster will follow up with this motion.</p>
<p>Microscopy Core – Dr. Combs</p>	<p>Equipment purchased by INBRE, CTR and Dean's office. No fee structure. \$48,000 is the service contract fee. – 80 poster presentations. No grant information given. Positive satisfaction survey response. Feedback – core is good. Core could provide more training</p>	
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>Dr. Basson – request from the VPR office for equipment purchase from \$10,000 - \$300,000. Deadline is October.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Dr. Sens motioned Meeting adjourned at 2:59 pm</p>	<p>Next meeting August 24th at 2:00pm</p>