

**UNDSMHS Research Committee**  
**Tuesday, December 17, 2019**  
**SMHS, Dean's Office Conference Room**

The attendance roster is attached.

Agenda Item	Summary	Action/Follow-up
<b>Call meeting to order/welcome new members</b>	Dr. Sens called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.	
<b>Approval of the November Minutes</b>	The minutes for the November 19, 2019 meeting were reviewed and no edits noted.	There was a Motion made by Dr. Foster and seconded by Dr. Ghribi to approve the minutes from the meeting. The Motion approved unanimously.
<b>Discussion on pilot grants</b>	<p>Dr. Basson would like to continue the Meritorious Grant Award and some form/version of pilot grants as well.</p> <p>The Pilot Grant Program was again approved by Dean Wynne for this year. As an update, no one has taken advantage of the mini-sabbatical at this time. It was suggested that it would be beneficial to remind the faculty of the opportunities offered and should be included at the same time the grant programs are communicated to faculty.</p> <p>The Dean's perspective is that it is seed money in order to get funded. The option of giving priority to those that have a COBRE, etc. was discussed. This is a decision that the Research Committee will decide on. Dr. Schwartz suggested partnering with other schools within UND in order to maximize funds and that an approach such as this would align with the ONE UND initiative. Dr. Schroeder agreed and added that it would also align with the VPR's office. Dr. Schwartz – suggested that the Associate Dean's of the schools meet to discuss collaboration. Further discussion suggested that this approach could be limiting for some people at the SMHS if they do not have communications and relationships with others at other schools. A combination of these 2 ideas could be an option. It was suggested that the committee could stipulate that preference would be given to people that do not already have funding. If giving 3-4 awards, the \$50K range would work. Dr. Golovko suggested that the committee could use the collaborative projects and pick the ones with the best chance of funding. Dr. Nechaev asked if the current pilot grant could still be used as is.</p> <p>After much discussion on incentivizing, collaborations, MIRA concerns, other</p>	Heather will send out the pilot grant RFA for revision.

	schools at buying out their time, the committee decided to leave the program as is for this coming year. Grant applications should be due by the end of the first week in February.	
<b>COBRE Proposal Update – Dr. Don Warne</b>	Dr. Warne reported that 4 research projects were discussed and presented to TIG and are due at the end of January. Dr. Basson would be interested in hearing how the review process works. The 4 projects are from Nicole Redvers, Cory Smith, Andrew Williams, and Ursula Running Bear and all fit the criteria well and are junior investigator by NIH, but have very good experience. Aligns with the NIH priorities and the trial health research office aligns well. All our supportive at this time.	
<b>Items for Next Meeting</b>	General medicine – put out a 1 year supplement call for vaping projects	
<b>Other/Informational</b>	No other information was noted.	
<b>Announcements</b>	No announcements were noted.	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Dr. Donald Sens adjourned the meeting at 3:01 pm	

Submitted by Heather Jensen

**2018-19  
Record of Attendance  
Research Committee**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>8.23.18</b>	<b>10.8.18</b>	<b>1.14.19</b>	<b>2.26.19</b>	<b>3.28.19</b>	<b>5.10.19</b>	<b>7.18.19</b>	<b>8.20.19</b>	<b>10.15.19</b>	<b>11.19.19</b>	<b>12.17.19</b>
Mac Dyke	2020	E	T	T	T	A	T	A	T	E	A	A
Jamie Foster	2021	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	P
Jonathan Geiger	2020	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A
Mishra Golovko	2020	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	E	E	P
Othman Ghribi	2022	X	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	P	P	P
Sergei Nechaev	2021	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Gary Schwartz	2022	E	A	P	A	P	P	E	P	E	P	P
Seema Somji	2020	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Shawnda Schroeder	2022							P	P	E	P	P
Donald Sens	2022							P	P	P	P	P
Donald Warne	2022							A	A	A	A	P
Masfique Mehedi	2022							E	E	P	P	P
<b>Advisory Members</b>												
Basson, Marc (Sr. Assoc. Dean for Medicine and Research)		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Ruit, Ken (Assoc. Dean for Education and Faculty Affairs)		E	E	A	P	E	A	E	E	E	E	E
<b>Support Staff</b>												
Heather Jensen				P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P=Present      E=Excused  
A=Absent  
T = Teleconference  
V = Videoconference