

**UNDSMHS Research Committee**  
**Monday, January 14, 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. Geiger called the meeting to order 10:05 am.	
<b>Approval of October 8, 2018 minutes</b>	The minutes of October 8, 2018 were reviewed and no edits were noted.	There was a Motion made by Dr. Foster and seconded by Dr. Wu to approve the minutes of October 8, 2018. The Motion was approved unanimously.
<b>CORES Surveys</b>	Dr. Basson discussed the one time equipment needs for the CORES and hoping for funds to aid with those. The committee should help with the CORES. Dr. Geiger updated that the survey was distributed to the group, but the committee did not help. There is a need for overseeing the CORES and understanding how they should operate. Research committee weighing in on issues of use, self-supporting, etc. Dr. Geiger added that the committee needs to look at information obtained from the surveys and whether we got the information we needed from the questions asked and if it was sufficient to make decisions. Table this topic for the next meeting.	Need information back from surveys and provide to committee for suggestions.
<b>Student Participation on the Research Committee</b>	Per the minutes, students are more than welcome to attend committee meetings. Dr. Geiger stated the only issue would be letting the students know when/where the meeting is taking place. Right now we are not in compliance. Dr. Nechaev asked if we would be inviting any particular set of students. Dr. Geiger responded that it would be open to all students. Further discussion eluded to if this would be written into the by-laws and if there could be a potential quorum issue if in subsequent years no students were on the committee. Dr. Basson suggested asking for volunteers that are presenting to the Frank Low Research Day. Foster and Geiger to draft the language to provide to all med students and residents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Devise mechanism to let students know about meeting dates/times – Drs. Foster and Sahnoun will work on for Frank Low.</li> <li>• Ask Judy Solberg on the compliance measure for this committee.</li> </ul>
<b>F&amp;A and MIRA</b>	Dr. Basson advised that legislature is in session and Dr. Wynne and President Kennedy will be testifying on January 15, 2019. MIRA remains uncertain as to its impact. Question arose on if/when the final memo for F&A has been dispersed.	Follow up with either Judy or Jeanette on final F&A memo and when it will be approved and

	Dr. Geiger inquired about the percentage from F&A and how it is distributed. Dr. Basson added that it may no longer be operational in the same aspect, the investigators piece will be the same, and the rest of the funds will be comingled.	distributed.
<b>Update on Frank Low Research Day</b>	Dr. Foster informed that there are no new updates as of yet. Date and speaker are set. Dr. Wu confirmed that the speaker has agreed to come (Tac Mac). Heather will be working with the speaker on travel and lodging arrangements. NCTC OTA Student Participation – Dr. Geiger proposed to the committee the request from Kara on presenting posters at Frank Low Research Day. Allowing outside students/organizations to participate has not been done in the past. The main question is if FLRD is the right format for these students or groups to participate. Dr. Basson added that if we consider allowing outside students to participate, then we should possibly open it up to other UND programs such as Biomed, nursing, etc. Dr. Schwartz believes these additions could be consistent with One UND and would consider it a profit to the program and that more abstracts might provide for better quality. Dr. Basson mentioned if you open it up you might exceed to the number of posters allowed and secondly, you may find you get posters that do not belong here and therefore, the RFA needs to state as such. Dr. Dyke added that with additional posters comes additional costs for judging, space, regional meetings, etc. Dr. Geiger asked if there are a maximum number of posters that are allowed and able to fit in the space. Dr. Basson suggested possible extending further up to the 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> floors. Dr. Golovko suggested the possibility of posting posters online to save space. Dr. Geiger provided Dr. Foster the contact information for Kara at NCTC. Table for further discussion - 1. Other UND departments and/or 2. Outside organizations.	Heather Jensen to send Dr. Foster the proposed email to send out.  NCTC – Dr. Foster will discuss with Dr. Sahmoun and report back.  Dr. Basson will ask Dr. Wynne on costs associated with other organizations.
<b>Pilot Grant Program</b>	Dr. Geiger reported that Dean Wynne would like to go forward with the pilot grant program. The mini sabbatical would be left as is for now because it was already introduced. Dr. Basson relayed that the committee needs to get a new RFA out for the pilot grant project. Dr. Geiger asked for a volunteer to work on the RFA changes to be due by the end of January 2019. Open to SMHS faculty and the amount would be \$50,000 in direct cost and the goal would be to collect data for external funding.	Dr. Schwartz and Dr. Ghribi will work on the pilot grant updates and provide back to the group.
<b>Meritorious Grant Award Program</b>	Dean Wynne is prepared to support for this year, but unsure for years to come. He is prepared to make retroactive to January 2018. There is a 1-year window that we are prepared to support meritorious grant awards for NIH. Dr. Nechaev inputted on scoring systems for NIH. Dr. Geiger inquired about how multi-institution grants would be viewed. Dr. Basson suggested that the UND faculty	Dr. Schwartz and Dr. Ghribi will work on the language and report back to the group. Dr. Geiger will email past language to them.

	<p>should be a co-p.i. on the grant and that we would reduce the percentage as a ratio – not on the number of pi’s but the percentage of the direct cost. Dr. Geiger asked if you take as a modular direct, could you just use that percentage of that direct going to the person, staying at UND. Dr. Basson said that would disadvantage pi’s at UND because ROI’s are usually \$250,000 or less. It was suggested to leave the ROI the same - under 30<sup>th</sup> percentile. Dean Wynne is not prepared to give it to support all. Nobody is tracking the score centralized. Started as a discussion for those that didn’t get funded but were near misses. Dr. Geiger suggested that the same two people look into this topic as well.</p>	
<b>Other/Informational</b>	<p>Dr. Basson stated that they are in the process of searching for a new VPR. Currently they are waiting for the search firm to put together and provide the applications. Dr. Geiger asked what the reporting structure will be for the new VPR. Dr. Basson advised that he foresees the VPR still preceding over the pre-award processing and the post-awards will go through Judge Shivers. Recurring meeting schedule was suggested for this committee meeting.</p>	<p>Heather will send out a Doodle poll and/or email to specify a time.</p>
<b>Announcements</b>	<p>Continuous discussions take place on renovations of the animal facility and hope to submit to NIH by the end of February. Dr. Basson stated that the second RFA has been distributed for the Pilot grant and CTR. Please encourage others to apply.</p> <p>Dr. Geiger asked how they want us to proceed with research percent of effort. Dr. Basson is hopeful to have a decision from Dean Wynne soon. Dr. Schwartz mentioned as an incentive to encourage people to turn their research into inventions, a possibility of rewarding on grants and could we extend to other academic activities? Dr. Basson added that most of the rewards of a successful patents would remain central, so not a SMHS reward.</p>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	<p>Dr. Geiger adjourned the meeting 11:07 am.</p>	

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>						
Mac Dyke	2020	E	T	T							
Jamie Foster	2021	P	P	P							
Jonathan Geiger	2020	P	P	P							
Mishra Golovko	2020	P	P	P							
Jacque Gray	2019	P	E	A							
Othman Ghribi		X	P	P							
Saobo Lei	2019	P	P	A							
Sergi Nechaev	2021	P	P	P							
Abe Sahmoun	2019	E	T	T							
Gary Schwartz	2019	E	A	P							
Seema Somji	2020	P	P	P							
Min Wu	2019	P	P	P							
<b>Advisory Members</b>											
Basson, Marc (Sr. Assoc. Dean for Medicine and Research)		P	P	P							
Ruit, Ken (Assoc Dean for Education and Faculty Affairs)		E	E	A							
<b>Support Staff</b>											
Heather Jensen				P							

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