

Research Advisory Council - Wichita

Minutes for September 12, 2005

Members present: Robert Wittler, MD, Jon Schrage, MD, Stephen Smith, MD, MPH, and Bill Collier, MD

Members Absent: Amanda Golbeck, PhD, Craig Molgaard, PhD, Sheldon Preskorn, MD and Doug Woolley, MD

Guests Present: Jan Arbuckle, Rosey Zackula, MA, Cari Schmidt, PhD, Angelia Paschal, PhD, Karen Kramer, PhD

- Called to order by Associate Dean Jan Arbuckle in the KUSM-W Cottonwood Room #2210

AGENDA:

I. Minutes from 7/11/05

Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion was made to approve the minutes by Dr. Wittler and seconded by Dr. Schrage. Motion carried. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

II. Report from the Office of Research

Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan Arbuckle announced Dr. Golbeck's resignation from her position as Associate Dean of the Office of Research as of Sept 1, 2005. • The office of Compliance, specifically the new Compliance Manager Robyn Boyes, will be moved under the Dean's office, although Dr. Schmidt will continue in her role as Director of Research Ethics for at least the current fiscal year. • Dr. Kramer reported that currently all but three members of the research umbrellas had turned in their bio-sketches, and the KUSM-W web designer had estimated at least two months before he could design the site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

III. Receive Reports form Departments

Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None reported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

IV. Recommend Interim Associate Dean of Research

Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No recommendation was made for an interim Dean of Research, although Dr. Wittler felt either of the suggested candidates would be appropriate, and Dr. Collier suggested one of the current OoR staff step in temporarily. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

V. Discuss Goals or Missions

Chapter 2 Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The goals of the Office of Research were reported as (A) Funded Research, and (B) Helping students, residents and faculty.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

VI. Discuss Needs Assessment

Chapter 3 Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Zackula identified the purpose of the Needs Assessment is to identify research needs and obstacles to conducting research at KUSM-W. Through analysis of the needs assessment, a plan could be developed to 1) realign the resources of the Office of Research (OoR) to meet KUSM-W research needs and 2) minimize or overcome research obstacles.Dr. Schmidt clarified that the needs assessment would include not only full-time faculty, but part-time faculty, residents and students as well.The four members in attendance approved the proposal to move ahead with the needs assessment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">OoR staff will develop a draft of the Research Needs Assessment by late September.

VII. Discuss Information from the Meeting Regarding a Centralized IRB

Chapter 4 Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Schmidt relayed the key points that had been discussed at the meeting regarding a centralized IRB.The committee members discussed many of the same issues and benefits that had been discussed at the original meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Once the second Centralized IRB meeting takes place, a report of activities will need to be presented at the following RAC meeting.

VIII. Discuss Resident Research Projects

Chapter 5 Discussion	Follow-up Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Wittler mentioned that shifting the focus to include student/resident research and education would be appropriate for the OoR.Drs. Wittler and Schrage felt that resident research was already being addressed within their departments and that it was much too cost prohibitive for students to get help from the OoR. However, more help with student and resident projects would be appreciated.Dr. Smith also reported that Dr. Steve Helmer helps students with research, but that there was a need for additional help.Dr. Collier reported Dr. Annie Harvey helps part-time with research. Conducting stage III and IV clinical trials would also be helpful.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

Next Meeting

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2005, KUSM-W Cottonwood Room # 2210 from 4:30 to 5:30pm.Meeting was adjourned.
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