

Revision to Faculty Handbook: Research Council charge and membership

Current Text

Research Council

Recommends policies to encourage research, establish a research environment, and provide research support facilities; recommends the types of research to be conducted within the University; serves as a review board for proposed research programs and facilities; recommends adjudication of variances to policies and procedures; and supervises the approved policies. The Council develops guidelines for and assigns University Research Award Grants.

Revised Text

Research Council

Recommends policies to encourage research, establish a research environment, and provide research support facilities; serves as a review board for proposed research programs and facilities; recommends adjudication of variances to policies and procedures; supervises the approved policies; and addresses research misconduct cases at the direction of the Provost.

Rationale for Change

The Research Council does not recommend the types of research to be conducted within the University.

The Research Council is charged with reviewing research misconduct cases in the university's Research Misconduct Policy.

The Research Council has not been consulted regarding University Research Award Grants.

Current Text

Membership consists of a faculty member active in research from each of the Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics, Business Administration, Education, and Engineering, and one from the sciences and one from another research area in the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences; ex-officio non-voting, one student; ex-officio, the Director of Research and Sponsored Programs; and ex-officio and non-voting, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Research.

The chairperson is designated by the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. A secretary (non-voting) will be provided by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Revised Text

Membership consists of a faculty member active in research from (a) the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences; (b) Sam M. Walton College of Business; (c) College of Education and Health Professions; and (d) College of Engineering; and (e) one from the sciences area of the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences and (f) one from another research area in the Fulbright College; (g) non-voting, one student; (h) ex officio and non-voting, the Director of Research and Sponsored Programs; and (i) ex officio and non-voting, the Vice Provost for Research. A secretary (non-voting) will be provided by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

Rationale

The college names have changed.

Student is not ex officio

Director will not vote on a faculty committee.

Chair-elect is selected at first meeting and serves the following year as is the case with other Faculty Senate committees.