

ACULTY RESEARCH AWARDS COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, October 30, 2017, 10:00 am
Library, 6th Floor Conference Room

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. New Business
 - a. Chair nomination
 - b. Minutes approval
 - c. Fund availability
 - d. Review endowment applications
 - e. Review compensated leave applications
 - f. Professor of the Month nominations

MINUTES

The Arkansas State University Faculty Research Awards Committee met on Monday, October 30, 2017, in the Library 6th Floor Conference Room on the ASU-Jonesboro campus. Chair, Bill Burns, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. In attendance: Members: Andrew Sustich, Bill Burns, Brett Savary, Gabriel Tait, Justin Castro, Koushik Biswas, Shane Hunt, Ryan Kelly, Sarah Labovitz and Elizabeth Nix (proxy for Bilinda Norma); RTT: Emily Devereux. Members absent were: Ashraf Elsayed.

New Business:

- a. Chair nomination: Bill Burn's chair service has met term and FRAC needs nominations to fill this role. Brett Savary and Gabriel Tate were nominated, and Brett declined because he anticipated applying for FRAC research funds in Spring 2018. Single nomination of Gabriel Tate was made and all voted in favor for Gabriel to fill this role.
- b. Minutes from Spring 2017 were discussed. Sarah Labovitz made a motion to accept the minutes, Shane Hunt seconded the motion, and all voted in favor for acceptance.
- c. Eleanor Lane Faculty Development Endowment: \$4,872 available for this academic year. Nathan Deutsch Faculty Development Endowment: \$1,064 available for this academic year.
- d. Total of eight applications – two for Deutsch Endowment funds, one for Lane Endowment funds and five for both Lane and Deutsch funds – were received and reviewed. Andrew Sustich proposed making the award contingent on receipt of abstract or proposal proof of acceptance to be funded for travel funds. Three of the proposals did not meet the fiscal travel year, and the committee will encourage them to submit their applications for next fall. Motion was made by Sarah Labovitz to fund eligible applications, seconded by Shane Hunt, and all voted in favor.
- e. Six applications for compensated leave were received. Sustich noted that the procedure is for the Committee to provide a ranked list of the applicants to the Provost. Committee deliberated on the applications. After discussion, the following applications were recommended to Provost for funding: John Salvest, Russ Jones, Kate Krueger, Burt Greenwalt, Terry Dancer, Gauri Guha.
- f. Update on Research Professor of the Month: Dan Ross's video has been made, and it is waiting for release. Andrew Sustich challenged the committee to push for nominations within their respective colleges.

Motion to adjourn by Gabriel Tate and seconded by Shane Hunt. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.
Submitted by: Emily Devereux, Executive Director of Research Development, RTT