

## **University Senate Research Committee Meeting**

(online)

18 February 2022

1:00 PM

In Attendance: C. Goodwin, D. Harrell, K. Kanthak, R. Kear, P. Morel, R Rutenbar, S. Sant, M. Scott, A. Stephany, B. Yates

The minutes from the January 22 meeting were approved with the addition of the item concerning supply shortages.

### Senate plenary planning

K. Kanthak presented the plans for the Senate plenary which is due to take place on March 1, 2022. The Senate plenary will focus on community-based research and should occur from 12 -2 PM. The keynote speaker will be Lynette Overby, Director of the Community Engagement Initiative, Professor, Department of Theater, at the University of Delaware. Following the talk there will be a round table featuring an update from project leaders from the 2021 Engaged Scholarship Summer Design Intensive.

K Kanthak encouraged the committee to sign up for the event, which is free and to participate in asking questions etc.

### Research Report from Rob Rutenbar

R. Rutenbar noted that the policy and procedure on Gifts that Sponsor Projects was presented to Faculty Assembly by Carey Balaban and that the policy was approved with a minor modification.

The Covid infection rates are going down but, as yet, there are no planned changes to mask mandates and other procedures.

R. Rutenbar said the M. Holland was working with purchasing to acquire research supplies that may be in short supply. A list has been generated of commonly used supplies that can be purchased in bulk.

B. Yates announced that there is a change in the animal protocol procedure such that yearly renewals of IACUC protocols will no longer be required, and these will only need to be renewed every 3 years.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm. The next Research Committee meeting will be on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM via zoom

Minutes submitted by P. Morel and S. Sant