Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities (URSCA) Committee

Minutes: March 29, 2012

Members Present: Ron Freeze, Jun Yu, Paul Luebbers, Tim Burnett, Jennifer Schroeder, Gary Wyatt, and William Clamurro.

Members Absent: Carol Daniels, Dwight Moore, Deb Gerish, Theresa Mitchell, Chelsi Kaiser, and Charles Chiddix

1) Minutes from March 2, 2012 were approved.

2) Research and Creativity Day Update
   a) Advertising-Postcards went out this week. The online site is up and running. Posters will be hung around campus week of event, as well as signs by entrances. Extra postcards were passed out among members to give out.
   b) Request for moderators for oral talks in the morning. Dwight Moore, Dr. Wyatt, Paul Luebbers, and William Clamurro volunteered to help.
   c) Poster juror Request. On the poster registration form, there is a box that can be checked if the student/faculty would like to be evaluated. If they mark this box, the moderators would then judge their poster. The moderator volunteers agreed that they would help judge.
   d) There will be no “Best Poster Award” this year.

3) ESURP:
   a) Committee discussed the budget. K-INBRE will be providing a lower amount equaling $10,000 this year, due to a lower participation number of qualified K-INBRE students. The number of proposals funded had changed as well.
   b) ESURP Proposal deadline is April 6. Spread the word.
   c) Proposals & Evaluation forms will be emailed to committee members on April 9.
      a) The Draft Evaluation Rubric was discussed and reviewed. After the meeting, the draft will be emailed to the committee members. Committee members are to review and email any suggestions to Tim Burnett as soon as possible, so that the form will be ready to email with the evaluations.
      d) Selection of summer scholars will occur the week of April 16th and announced at Research and Creativity Day on April 26th. Britney will send a doodle to everyone for dates to meet during the week of April 16th.

Recorded by: Britney Hinrichs