

## Research Board

### Minutes

Date: September 8, 2016  
Time: 9:30 - 11:00 am  
Place: ERC 1058  
Present: P. Drayson, J. Freeman, R. Kay, H. Kishawy, A. Leach, B. Murphy, M. Owen (Chair), J. Percival, I. Piore,  
L. Roy, V. Sharpe (Secretary),  
Regrets: H. de Haan, G. Edwards

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M. Owen welcomed the new members to the committee.

#### 1. **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve: P. Drayson, seconded by H. Kishawy. Motion passed.

#### 2. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes**

Motion to approve: J. Percival, seconded by P. Drayson. Motion passed.

#### 3. **Business Arising**

Undergraduate Research Award Process

J. Freeman noted that an action item from a previous Research Board meeting was to find efficiencies in the process to cut down on the administrative burden placed on ORS and to reform the timeline.

There are two awards: UOIT STAR Award (2 awards per Faculty) and NSERC USRA (number of awards determined by NSERC in mid- December). J. Freeman reviewed her presentation as circulated with the meeting package.

ACTION: Send J. Freeman your feedback on the process and timeline.

ACTION: J. Freeman will revise the materials and bring to the October Research Board meeting.

#### 4. **New Business**

Predatory Journals

P. Drayson noted that librarians are working to inform graduate students about Predatory Journals. They are willing to come to classrooms and speak to students. ACTION: If you wish to have a subject Librarian come to speak to your Faculty meeting or to undergraduate and graduate class in your Faculty, please contact P. Drayson.

<http://guides.library.uoit.ca/researchmetrics>

<http://guides.library.uoit.ca/openaccess>

<https://scholarlyoa.com/publishers/>

#### Research Board 2016-17 Work Plan

M. Owen noted that the Work Plan was circulated with the meeting materials. The Work Plan was created to focus the meetings and demonstrate where the Research Board will be spending time over the coming months. A modification to the Work Plan is placement of the Federal Science Review. M. Owen and J. Freeman have been working on a draft and will bring this item to a future Research Board meeting for your feedback. The deadline for comments is September 30.

M. Owen noted that the Federal government is doing a consultation on the Innovation agenda. ACTION: M. Owen will circulate the material. ACTION: You are invited to comment on it as part of UOIT's response by sending feedback to M. Owen. He noted that Faculty members are welcome to make their personal observations and comments as well. The deadline is mid-November.

#### Strategic Research Plan

M. Owen noted that Faculties and Departments are revising their strategic plans; due to the Provost this fall. As a Research Board we need to look at our Strategic Research Plan to determine whether we need to refresh it with minor tweaks, undertake a major re-write or simply a refinement of the major research areas.

Goal: by the end of February 2017 have a rewritten plan to be submitted to the Deans and Academic Council before the end of the Academic Year. Note: The current research plan ends in 2018. M. Owen stressed that we want to have an SRP that supports all research at the university but that targets few priority areas.

Consensus to decrease the number of categories. Suggestion that we review the academic plan and then create ours from it.

J. Percival suggested that we speak about the research projections at a future meeting and have the graduate student enrollment projections available.

L. Roy requested a refresh of the CRC table. We have an allocation of 11. P. Drayson noted that she can provide research faculty metrics.

#### 5. **Other Business/Faculty Exchange**

- a. Roundtable on key issues that impact research in Faculties  
Deferred.

#### 6. **Reports & Information**

- a. **Vice President's Report**  
Deferred.
- b. **Director of Research Services Report**  
Deferred.

7. **Next meeting** - October 11, 2016, 12:15 – 2:00 pm, ERC 1058

8. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.