

# ISU Research Council

January 28, 2022 Meeting Agenda

01/28/22

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**Location:** Zoom  
**Topic:** Research Council  
**Time:** This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

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**Attendance:** Steven Lawyer, Darin Jernigan, Jonathan Fardy, Josh Woolstenhulme, Shannon Kobs Nawotniak, Dustin McNulty, Gustavo Gonzalez Cuevas, Sarah Godsey, Donna Delparte, Brandon Holst

**Absent but excused:** Celal Perihan, Tyler Burch

**Absent:**

**Recording Secretary:** Ann Medinger

Council Announcements	Presenting	Comments	Information/Action Item
<b>Welcome Research Council</b>	Lawyer		
<b>Announcements</b> RC activities rest of semester reminder <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Distinguished Researcher nominations (Jan 28)</li><li>Seed Grant deadline (Mar 5)</li></ul>	Lawyer	Nominations for Distinguished Researcher have until Monday, February 31 <sup>st</sup> , now for a deadline	

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<b>Update/Briefing on VPR Search</b>	Shannon Kobs Nawotniak	Kobs Nawotniak is the chair of the committee for the VPR search. Application deadline is January 31 <sup>st</sup> for this position. Website is <a href="https://www.isu.edu/vpsearch/">https://www.isu.edu/vpsearch/</a> 13 applications have been received so far Kobs Nawotniak shared the job qualifications and matrix with the council Research Council will be involved in the interview process once the candidate pool has been narrowed down to three This will probably take place in March	
<b>Finalize Seed Grant Guidelines</b>	Lawyer	Research Council went through the Faculty Seed Grant Program Guidelines and made appropriate changes as discussed. How to ethically handle a situation where a member of Research Council is a PI on a grant Godsey recommended that if a member of the research council is a seed grant applicant or has been nominated for Distinguished researcher, they should recuse themselves from the evaluation and discussion altogether but should get an appropriate replacement to represent their college on their committee. Woolstenhulme said the cleanest way is that if you are on the council, you shouldn't be able to apply for a seed grant. If you get someone to replace you on the council from your college, you could pick your friend who could unfairly score your application higher than others.	

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		<p>Lawyer suggested that we make a change to our bylaws to represent the final decision for this discussion.</p> <p>For now, any council member who has submitted a seed grant application will not be a part of the evaluation, grading, discussion, or decision process. The dean of their college will appoint a replacement in their stead.</p>	
<b>Process for Evaluating Distinguished Researcher Nominations</b>		<p>Chair will divvie up the applicant pool and have the council members review those they are assigned.</p> <p>If you were nominated or if you nominated someone for this award, you will recuse yourself from the discussion for that individual.</p>	
<b>Constituent Concerns</b>			
<b>Future Agenda Items</b>		Review and revise Research Council Bylaws	

Next research council meeting: February 11, 2022 1:00-3:00 pm

Action Items:

Action Item	Who will complete	Due date	Date completed
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Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at