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January 31, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Tamás Forgács, Rohan Jadhav, Jenna Kieckhaefer, James Marshall, Fayzul Pasha, Gitima Sharma, Vang Vang

Members absent: Samina Najmi

1. Approval of agenda (MSC).
2. Approval of the minutes of 12/6/17 (MSC).

(3) Communications and Announcements

(a) Laval Award evaluations (Tamás Forgács). Discussed contacting someone in Advancement to see if we can forego awarding Laval in any given year. We will continue to look into this. Also, we heard that last year’s Laval awardee’s project was successful (via final report).

(b) Open access publication and related issues (Vang Vang). Asked Dean Marshall about the progress regarding funding for open access journal publications. CSU Long Beach has a model for this funding that is being discussed in another committee on campus. There is an amount of money that can be used for this purpose, but not enough for all faculty that need it. Vang proposed a certain amount that each dean would contribute to the Library, and then faculty could apply for these funds. An issue arises when some disciplines don’t use open access as much, like Social Science.

(c) CCRS was announced, 4/25 (James Marshall). Information has been distributed to several groups to publicize this event. Deadline to submit is in March.

(d) Undergrad Math Conference, 3/17 (Tamás Forgács). Announced this free conference, and encouraged any students who are interested to join and/or attend.

(4) Discussion items

(a) Meeting times for this semester (Tamás Forgács). 9am Wednesday 2/28, 3/21, 5/2. Tamás will send out calendar invites and reserve the meeting room.

(b) Chair questionnaire (Tamás Forgács). Discussed how we want to phrase the questions – should the Chair provide their opinion, or the departmental practice? We also went through wording of particular questions to make sure they are clear.

(5) The meeting was adjourned at 9:55am.