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**Members present**: Sankha Banerjee, Tamás Forgács, Jenna Kieckhaefer, James Marshall, Gitima Sharma, Anil Shrestha, Vang Vang, Wes Wise

**Members absent**: Rohan Jadhav, Keith Story

(1) Approval of agenda (MSC).

(2) Approval of the minutes of 4/30/19 (MSC).

(3) Communications and Announcements

(a) Congratulations to Vang! (Forgács)

(b) Update to the Open letter to the chairs (Forgács). Faculty Affairs has to approve mass mailings. We are waiting to hear from them before it gets sent out.

(c) Laval campaign, presentation requirements of awardees; Wednesday 12/11: Dr. Xie (Forgács). We now have requirements, and the next is scheduled 12/11.

(d) Budget cuts to research funding in CSM (Forgács). Some deans have cut travel funding, while others have not. If this keeps up next year, we may want to look into how this influences research on campus.

(4) Discussion items

(a) Library sponsored research grant for undergraduate and graduate students (Vang). The Dean is interested in awarding this to grad or undergrad students from the library, $500-$1,000. The only requirement is that they need to use a resource at the library. Kremen and Social Science doesn’t have an official process or application. Engineering does have awards for a few students, usually from private donors. Science and Math has an in-house application for students.

(b) ‘Research in my discipline’ campaign (Forgács). Thinking about this for our large undertaking this year – it’s important to understand how other disciplines do their research. We could have five-minute videos from different departments/colleges to educate our fellow professors. Perhaps we could get University Communications involved, and then specific college communications persons as well. Dean Marshall suggested we invite Patti Waid to the next meeting to brainstorm this idea.

(5) The meeting was adjourned at 1:49 pm.

(6) Tabled Items

(a) CSU systemwide research competition review process/criteria (Kieckhaefer).

(b) Day of Giving – Research related subcategory.