Research Council Meeting Agenda
Monday, October 21, 2019
Butro 204, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

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1. Safety Minute
   a. Need to do safety trainings in labs. Keep students up to date.
   b. Larry will be starting safety trainings again starting in December with several scheduled throughout the school year.
   c. John is in the process of updating their chemical hygiene plan and Cheryl is looking at how to handle Title IX violations while in the field. It is important to share the process across the system.

2. Update on Grants and Contracts Prioritization Plan FY19 (Madnick)
   a. Prioritization plan – continuing to work with Elucian on the ____ modules in Banner. Will hopefully have a majority of the items updated by the end of the year/ beginning of next year.

3. Report on Common Metrics (Madnick)
   a. Will be tabled – Aaron has a dashboard that he uses for the faculty to go ahead and get information on their sponsored funding. Would like to continue the conversation on using the dashboard across the campuses.
      i. It draws UAF and UAS data independently.
ACTION: Add Dashboard demonstration to November agenda.
4. Federal Update (Bryant)
   a. General state of appropriations – has begun moving through the process. They are moving through Senator Murkowski’s office.
      i. Senate Majority Leader – has moved a mini-bus bill – Commerce, agriculture FDA bill, interior environment and transportation bills. Still working to get more through.
   b. Continued interest in foreign intrusion and _____. Senator Sullivan wanted more information on the Confucius Institute and it’s development.
   c. The Dept of Ed has gotten pressure on this issue and has asked for any information of any dollar amount.
      i. Rosie will send Dustin the list of international sponsors
      ii. Title IX – One of the needs is to implement training at a scale that will be preventative. Is wondering if there are any federal funds that can be tapped.

5. Juneau update (Baker)
   a. Situational awareness – Next Monday 10/28 from 2:00-5:00 invited testimony and at 5:00 pm public testimony, rep Josephson, Anchorage, chaired our budget subcommittee in the House this year. He is a graduate of UAA School of Education and has many schools in his district. He is holding a Town Hall at the Anchorage LIO from 2:00-5:00. They are also taking public testimony. The topic is University Structure. He has a large chunk of UAA in his district that have strong feelings on this topic. Not a formal legislative hearing. Anticipated to be on the legislative streaming service. President Johnsen will kick it off. Will have several speakers. Legislator on Finance will discuss how the budget is structured. Special Board meeting that afternoon as well to talk about the response to the NWCCU and also the public testimony that is scheduled in advance of the Board meeting.
      i. Prepared to answer any questions that come up. Senator Stevens, who is the chair of the Education committee in the senate, is interested in doing a joint House and Senate Education Committee hearing.

6. Organized Research Programmatic Review (Layer)
   a. The Board suspended the process. Chancellor White was chairing the committee on Organized Research. When the process was suspended, Paul locked down the documents
and shared them with the chancellors. The Chancellors will be reviewing the recommendations that were brought up during the meetings and hopefully may be used in the future. Administrative consolidation has also been suspended. Any research administration consolidation, if it continues, should be channeled through the Chancellors.

i. Anupma would like the reports fleshed out prior to using any information.

7. Board of Regents November meeting (Layer)
   a. Review of the upcoming schedule.

8. Federal Strategic Initiative process (Larry)
   a. We have some things that are out there. The campuses are conducting their initiative process. This is a shared effort. There are requests for initiatives, not just federal, any that can be pushed forward next year. Any that we can move forward and secure support for the big ideas. The big efforts were sent to the deans and directors last Friday.

i. They were all going to Tom. Was sent out university wide. Aaron will check with Tom to see what he has received. Will then move them to the President, Paul and Michelle. Dustin will take them to the legislators in DC.

ii. Will need the templates to Dustin by mid-November/ beginning of December. Would like to get the finalized list to delegation by mid-January. Does not need to be research specific. Does not need to produce a paper.

   1. May be helpful to put out a few key target dates to the campuses. We do want to build time to allow for back and forth and asking questions, so we are able to put our best information forward.

   2. Alignment to mission, demonstrated expertise, competitive advantages, up-growth potential, likelihood for success, etc.

   3. Need to look at what we had last year, status, make sure they don’t get forgotten.

   4. New accreditation standards need to be considered

      a. Core pillar will be student success – need to articulate how their work will contribute to student success

9. Goals for the next year (All)
   a. Research Council Scorecard - 2019
i. How we can best present to the legislature. Do we want to have a research day, or something to convey our research?

ii. We need to initially focus on some high-level updates on what is going on with the university. The Innovation Summit has been a good way to do this.

iii. Early in the session – TVEP is up for reauthorization this year, so will want to be working closely with them this year. CTE workforce development-oriented event early in the session at UAS. Would also be able to showcase other areas as well, nursing, education, etc.

   1. It is difficult to get the legislatures attention outside of Juneau, outside of the regular session.
   2. Miles will reach out to showcase all of UA’s research, not just UAS.
   3. Can have students attend to assist in showcasing research.

ACTION: Add to November agenda – Innovation Summit – Research Showcase.

10. Additional Items (All)

November 11-13th – 1:00 pm on 12th.

Board’s next steps.

11. Next Meeting – November 18, 2019