



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

UNIVERSITY TRAVEL COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 – 3:00 p.m.
Office of Research & Commercialization
University Towers on Research Parkway - Conference Room **203**

Invitees: Ghada Baz, Rosa Cintron Delgado, Mercedeh Khajavikhan, Mingjie Lin, Gina Naccarato-Fromang, Jeong-Yeol Park, Angela Ritten, Kyle Rohde, Shane Roopnarine, Jeffrey Rupert, Kuppalapalle Vajravelu, Christie Wolf, Cynthia Young, Ami Zulich, Teresa Rodriguez, Christopher Hale

- Confirmed prior funding: \$39K
- Explanation of why committee exists (History – Ami Zulich)
- Dr. Park is the newest committee member
- Cynthia Young:
 - Informed she is the new Provost Designee as the Committee Administrator
 - Wants to work on raising funding back to where it was before
 - increase to \$40K from current \$31K
 - Wants group to be more strategic
 - Build a process if they like
 - Informed group they can collaborate on changing the rules/model of how the group works and functions
- Ami to get a/c #: **provided to Dr. Young at meeting**
- Angela Ritten C.O.N.
 - Extend funding to Clinical Faculty (Non Tenured)
 - Be more inclusive in definition of “Faculty”
- Cynthia Young
 - Include development of faculty
 - This committee to set those ground rules
 - They’re empowered to propose a different structure
- Ami confirmed no funding match currently in place
- Angela: Suggested not making any new plan too complicated

- Cynthia:
 - Gave data on faculty numbers (938 TT/T, 789 Non-Tenure Earning)
 - Reminded committee that proof is required that funds have been exhausted
 - Reminded that funding is E&G dollars, for transportation only
 - Instructed committee to think of the final ROI
 - Committee members will be sent the meeting minutes along with the current application

- **QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE :**
 - Do you want to go from a uniform distribution to a strategic method?
 - Do you value domestic & international the same?
 - Do you want to devolve it to the colleges?
 - Do you want all faculty at all ranks to be able to have access to these funds?
 - For development (Domestic)
 - For more senior faculty (Int'l)
 - Must show they need the \$ (prove they have exhausted the funds)
 - Do you like a 1 to 1 match for funding by the Deans? 2 to 1?

- **LITMUS TEST:** are they (faculty) bringing recognition to the institution?

- Cynthia:
 - Must have Dean/Chair support
 - Departments receive funding from allocated E&G funds
 - Cynthia is willing to provide leverage via a communication to all faculty informing how much funding was allocated for each college & encourage them to take advantage of these funds being available
 - Further ideas for committee: again, keep it simple
 - Maybe refer to it as a "Faculty Mobility Grant"
 - Show you have exhausted your department funding
 - Chair must approve it
 - Exhaust – Apply – Match.

- **- TO BE CONFIRMED: Does this (match funding) have to be E & G funds?**

- Ami Zuclich to arrange official meeting in April: **Doodle poll was sent to all committee members; based on responses, 04/11 at 3 p.m. was chosen. Members were encouraged to participate. ELECTIONS TO BE HELD AT THIS MEETING (04/11/2016).**