

## Research & Creative Activity

It is important that students bring a certain ragamuffin, barefoot, irreverence to their studies; they are not here to worship what is known, but to question it. - Jacob Bronowski, *The Ascent of Man* 

## Meeting Minutes and Outcomes

- 1. The committee met for the first time October 19, 2010.
- 2. Members included: David Tallmon, Erica Hill, Mark Speece, Kevin Maier, Sanjay Pyare (chair), Jan Straley, Kelly Jensen & Rick Caulfield. The committee is seeking a member from the School of Education (Chip McMillan was the name suggested) and hopes to eventually include a member from Administrative Services.
- 3. Issues discussed: representation needs on the committee, its name, frequency of meetings, what our charge is, priorities for the coming year, Wilson fund eligibility, issues relating to grant proposal timelines and processes, and the next phase of EPSCoR (2011-2015)
- 4. The Committee discussed priorities at length and hopes to undertake the following in the coming AY:
  - Providing input into the UAS Strategic Plan about research issues (Dave?)
  - Clarifying and standardizing the pre-award flowchart and timeline (Kelly, Rick)
  - Helping to shorten the grant proposal timeline. 2 issues discussed so far have been reducing
    the time required at the Provost's office to 3 days instead of 5 days; and exploring concurrent
    submission of budgets and grant (Rick, Kelly, Sanjay)
  - Creation of a grant-proposal submission spreadsheet that serves as an "early warning" system
    for administration to know which proposals are coming down the pipes (Kelly w/ Mary
    Miller)
  - Clarifying F&A recovery and exploring creation of a mechanism to recover some funds for undergraduate research (Sanjay); see next page.
  - Creation a website to display research resources and accomplishments, disseminate research documents, host Research Committee documents, and provide student research opportunities (Sanjay and others)
  - Establishing a constructive mechanism to engage Administrative Services on important budget/grant issues. In anticipation, we'll be reviewing the Grant Proposal Guideline to see if add'l things need clarification (Erica, Sanjay, Rick).
- 5. Clarification about Wilson Funds eligibility: per Provost Caulfield, any UAS faculty that presents at a conference is eligible, including humanities.
- 6. The Committee will meet monthly for the time being and will meet again sometime in November.



## F&A Breakdown for University of Alaska Southeast (per the Grant Proposal Guide)

Grant Breakdown	0/0	Thus, based on a \$100k in direct costs, the unit receives:
Direct	•	100,000
Indirect Total to UA System (e.g. Federal F&A)	42.0%	42,000
Indirect Breakdown	%	
UA Total Indirect	100.0%	42,000
Statewide Financial Services Portion	12.8%	5,376
UAS Portion	87.2%	36,624
Effective UAS Indirect for a federal grant	36.6%	36,624
UAS Indirect (e.g. less 12.8% to statewide above)	•	
Department	33.6%	14,112
Provost Office	10.0%	4,200
Administrative Services	33.6%	14,112
Facilities	10.0%	4,200