

**University Research Council**  
**April 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes**  
**387 John Thomas Hall**  
**4:00 pm – 6:00 pm**  
**Approved**

**Present:** Maryam Ahmed, Gabriele Casale, Elisabeth Cavallaro, Neel Das, Karen Fletcher, Alecia Jackson, Ece Karatan, Tammy Kowalczyk, Gary McCullough, Maurice Meilleur, Pam Mitchem, Julia Pedigo, Iryna Sharaievska, Caroline Smith, Robin Tyndall, Twila Wingrove

**Excused:** Marie Hoepfl, Charna Howson

**Absent:** Rebecca Battista, Tracy Goodson-Espy, Amy Roberts

**Staff:** Kate Hoffman, Katie Howard

Call to order – Ece Karatan 4:03 pm

**MINUTES:** Approval of the March 15, 2019, minutes approved as amended.

**NEW BUSINESS: Spring 2019 URC AWARDS**

- Award recommendations from the Arts & Humanities review panel:
  - **Mai**, Cuong (Philosophy and Religion) - \$3,506.00- “Traditions and Transformations in Early-modern Vietnamese Religions”
  - **Mills**, Susan (Music) - \$3,519.25 - “Music: Agency for Social Change”
  - **White**, Joshua (Art) - \$2,550.00 - “As the Crow Flies: Photographs of Appalachian Makers”
- Award recommendations from the Social Sciences, Business and Education review panel:
  - **Min**, Mina (Curriculum and Instruction) - \$3,869.76 - “What Empowers Teachers as Change Agents for Social Justice? Exploring Factors Impacting Teachers’ Culturally Responsive Teaching”
  - **Monroe**, Andrew (Psychology) - \$4,620.00 - “Moral Judgement in Everyday Life”
- Award recommendations from the STEM review panel:
  - **Doll**, Susan (Sustainable Technology and the Built Environment) - \$4,993.30 - “CFD Modeling for Improving Particle Removal Efficiency in a Multi-room Test Home”
  - **Edwards**, Cole (Geological and Environmental Sciences) - \$4,999.98 - “Constraining the timing of Devonian Anoxic conditions – did global anoxia cause the Late Devonian mass extinction?”
  - **Martin**, Derek (Geography & Planning) - \$4,957.96 “Hydrological analysis of tropical Andean headwater streams”
  - **Opata**, Michael (Biology) - \$5,000.00 - “Effect of Malnutrition During Pregnancy on Young Mice”
  - **Siefferman**, Lynn (Biology) - \$5,000.00 - “The dynamics of population density, animal personality and disease prevalence”

- Award recommendations from the Health review panel:
  - **Brackney**, Dana (Nursing) – \$3,022.00 – “School Based Dance Intervention for Child Fitness”
  - **Hazelwood**, John (Communication Sciences and Disorders) – \$3,362.25 “Examining the Effect of Implementing a Standardized Approach for the Modified Barium Swallow Study (MBSS)”

## **Brief Announcements**

### Grants Resources and Services - Karen Fletcher

1. Kelsi Butler is our new Strategic Opportunities & Communication Specialist. She can be reached at [butlerkd@appstate.edu](mailto:butlerkd@appstate.edu) or [grs@appstate.edu](mailto:grs@appstate.edu). Her focus is on:
  - a. Strategic funding opportunities and agency funding trends
  - b. Internal and external communications about the Office of Research and faculty research
2. Working with Dr. Reeves Shulstad and CAE for a 2019 Faculty Writing Retreat, May 20, 21, 23, & 24. Sign up and/or spread the word to colleagues. For more information, visit: <https://cae.appstate.edu/teaching-learning-student-success/workshops-and-events/faculty-writing-retreat>

### Research Data Analysis - Twila Wingrove

1. Last workshop of the semester is tomorrow, Wednesday, 2-4 on T-Tests and ANOVAs. Slots still available. It's in Belk Library 327.
2. RDA will be open during both summer sessions!

### Special Funds Accounting - Amy Roberts

1. Demo tomorrow for Greenphire ClinCard, an electronic system for research subject incentive payments: <https://greenphire.com/clincard/>
2. Testing electronic effort reports for the Spring reporting period. Certification will be performed in Banner Self-Service, Employee portal

### Student Research - Becki Battista

1. Please remind faculty that the Undergraduate Research Assistantships proposals will be due early May for students to work June 16-August 31 on research for the summer.
2. The 22nd Annual Celebration of Student Research and Creative Endeavors is this Thursday. 4th Floor of the Student Union. Morning Presentations are from 9 until noon. Afternoon presentations are 1-4pm. Award ceremony is at 1:15pm.

**ADJOURNMENT 5:07 pm**