**College of Education**

**Research Advisory Committee Meeting**

Minutes – February 26, 2018

**Members in Attendance**: Drs. Adams (Dean representative), McFarlin, Reichow, Fang (video conference), Murata (video conference)

1. **UFRF – College can nominate one candidate (All RAC members provided input)**

* The committee discussed applications for the University of Florida Research Foundation Professorship.
* Recipients will be notified by the University of Florida Vice President of Research.

1. **Development of “soft” policies for assigning research space**

* Need recommendations for Fall 2018
* Dr. Dana is making sure faculty with funded projects have adequate research space
* Faculty with funded projects would receive priority
* Unfunded faculty are also requesting research space – this becomes the larger issue,
* Major question is whether space is provided just for faculty that have funded research
* If committee wants to provide space to unfunded faculty, how are these decisions made
* What do other institutions do to allocate research space?
* Building rehab is putting a premium on space
* Prior, there was adequate space for any who wanted space
  + Won’t have as much research space, especially with adding 20 new faculty

1. **Research data storage (Digital)**

* Committee is invited to develop policy around digital security of research data
* Soon, in UFirst, PI will first need to confirm data security is in place
  + Currently UFirst provide choices of UF security platforms
    - If you do not have one of those solutions, it gives options at the College level
  + If PIs want to use University platform, UF charges (OER is paying for the fees through IDC funds, not charging PIs)
    - College cannot continue to eat these costs
* Possible policy requirement could be to have PIs request funds for research security
  + May depend on funding agency if this cost would be allowed in addition to indirect costs
* How do other institutions handle this issue?
* On-going cost for closed projects
  + Can data be placed somewhere else at the end of a project?
* Might write-in IT support for grants that would not allow data security outside of IDC