

College of Education
Research Advisory Committee
Minutes – February 1, 2018

Members in Attendance: Drs. Adams (Dean representative), Lombardino, McFarlin, Fang (video conference), Murata (video conference), DePue (audio conference)

Action Items:

I. CRIF award

- Discussion of history of CRIF. Previously was one \$50,000 award, last 4 years it has been split, most recently one \$40,000 award and two \$5,000 awards.
- Applications have been slow in recent years.
- Decision was made to have one \$40,000 award and one \$10,000 award.

II. Fein Award

- Current balance is \$67,000
- Current award is three years, each of which include \$15,000 research support, \$15,000 salary supplement, and .50 RA
 - Total is about \$190,000 over all three years
 - Current model is not sustainable
- Donors wish to see people continuously hold the award
- New structure proposed and accepted unanimously by committee
 - 2 years, each with \$5,000 research support and \$5,000 salary supplement
 - Will be open to competition every 2 years
 - Open to assistant professors, associate professors, and full professors
 - Discussion of whether to allow award to be awarded to incoming faculty, this was not approved

III. B. O. Smith Award

- Current balance is \$110,000
- Current award is three years, each of which include \$5,000 research support and \$5,000 salary supplement
 - Total is \$30,000 over all three years
- No changes to finances needed (keep \$5,000 research and \$5,000 salary supplement per year)
- Request was made to shorten the duration from 3 to 2 years, which was unanimously approved.
- Request made to open to assistant professors (in addition to associate professors), which was unanimously approved.
- Discussion of whether to allow award to be awarded to incoming faculty
- Decision was made to offer 2 awards simultaneously, one to be awarded to sitting faculty and one to be awarded at the Dean's discretion and may include potentially awarding to incoming faculty