Administrative Council for Extension and Experiment Station Research Minutes

Administrative Council for Extension and Experiment Station Research Meeting Friday, December 5, 2014, 1:00PM-2:30PM 325 Burruss Hall Conference Room

Attendance: Mark McNamee, Ken Smith, Guru Ghosh, Paul Winistorfer, Alan Grant, Cyril Clarke

- 1. Welcome and Introductions (Mark McNamee)
- 2. Discussion Items
 - a. Approval of 229 Salary: Ken Smith provided motion and presented information regarding the 2014 fall census that included the intended distribution of faculty workload. Motion approved after questions and discussion.
- 3. Updates
 - a. Virginia Cooperative Extension
 - b. Agricultural Experiment Station
 - i. Saied Mostaghimi reported the finalization of the NC/VA collaborative program that includes joint grants. He also spoke to the external review process in which six external reviewers were invited to conduct a review of the A.E.S. A short discussion ensued regarding the recommendations of the external review committee. The review addressed long-range planning, further enhancing connections between A.R.E.C.s and Virginia Cooperative Extension (VCE) local offices, improving A.R.E.C. facilities, exploring more fee-based activities, and better state-wide coordination of the beef programs.
 - c. Deans
 - i. College of Agriculture & Life Sciences (CALS)
 - 1. CALS reports department head search currently underway for Dept. of Entomology and national searches for the Plant, Pathology, Physiology, and Weed Science and Biological Systems Engineering departments.
 - ii. College of Natural Resources and Environment (CNRE)
 - CNRE reports that Joel Snodgrass was named head of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation in September. A new water degree (Water: Resources, Policy, and Management) was approved by SCHEV on 12/4/2014.
 - iii. College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM)
 - 1. CVM reports positive feedback from accreditation review; final decision to be received in March.
 - d. Research
 - The research division reminded the committee that specially designated weekly flights are available for researchers/administrators who are traveling to Washington, DC for the purposes of securing/extending sponsored support.
- 4. Other Business