

AGENDA

IUPUI Faculty Council (IFC)

Tuesday, November 1, 2011 / 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. / Campus Center, Room 450A

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| I. | 3:00 p.m. | Welcome and Call to Order
Jeff Watt, <i>IUPUI Faculty Vice President</i> , jwatt@math.iupui.edu |
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| II. | Adoption of the Agenda as the Order of Business for the Day | |
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| III. | [Action Item] Approval of the October 4, 2011, Minutes
Attachment: http://www.iupui.edu/~fcouncil/minutes/Minutes_IFC-10-4-11.pdf | |
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| IV. | 3:05 p.m.
5 minutes | Updates / Remarks from the Chancellor
Charles R. Bantz, <i>Indiana University Executive Vice President and Chancellor of IUPUI</i> , cbantz@iupui.edu |
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| V. | 3:10 p.m.
15 minutes | Updates / Remarks from the IFC President
L. Jack Windsor, <i>IUPUI Faculty President</i> , ljwindso@iupui.edu |
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| VI. | 3:25 p.m.
10 minutes | [Information Item] Resolution Regarding Institutional Review Board Progress
Anna McDaniel, <i>Chair, Research Affairs Committee (see reverse side)</i> |
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| VII. | 3:35 p.m.
5 minutes | Report from the IUPUI Staff Council
Sue Herrell, <i>President</i> , sherrell@iupui.edu |
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| VIII. | 3:40 p.m.
15 minutes | Question / Answer Period
Jeff Watt |
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| IX. | 3:55 p.m. | Adjournment |
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| X. | 4:00 p.m. | State of the Campus Address
Charles R. Bantz, <i>Chancellor</i> |
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Next Meeting: December 7, 2010 – CE 409

Resolution to Address Unacceptable Delays in IRB Reviews at IUPUI

October 31, 2011

Whereas the average time to receive IRB approval of human subject research protocols is excessive,

Whereas these delays have a significant negative impact on the ability of faculty and visiting scientists to initiate and complete research projects in a reasonable time frame,

Whereas delays in research hinder timely publication of findings, threaten junior faculty progress toward tenure, and affect future funding potential,

Whereas a wide range of constituents across Indiana University experience these delays as the most pressing obstacle to their research endeavors,

Whereas these delays are prohibitive to student achievement, such that the quality of the educational experience at Indiana University is jeopardized,

Whereas if these delays are not addressed, they will impact not only the current but future academic standing of Indiana University,

Whereas these delays are likely to have significant financial consequences to the university due to loss of grant funding, delayed release of grant funds, and potential legal liability resulting from postponement of student graduation due to IRB delays,

Whereas the efficiency of the IRB approval process has markedly deteriorated since the move to centralize IRB administrative operations, despite good faith efforts of the Office of the Vice President for Research,

The IUPUI Faculty Council urges the Administration, President, and Board of Trustees of Indiana University to deploy the appropriate resources, including the use of external services (e.g., WIRB) to eliminate the IRB approval backlog immediately,

Furthermore, the IFC calls on the President to immediately initiate an independent, external review of the current administrative structure and practices of the IRB to examine potential long-term solutions, including restoring campus-based administrative operations, to sustain future research productivity.