THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE

Research Council Minutes October 19, 2006

Members Present: V. Eaton, K. Clow, J. McGahan, T. Parker, D. Smith, N. Campbell.

Members Absent: G. Shah J. Bulot, J. Low T. Sasek, H. Williamson, L. Bryan, H. Mehendale

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Virginia Eaton on Thursday, October 19, 2006, at 2:00 p.m in the College of Arts and Science Conference Room. The following items were discussed.

Item 1—Institutional Compliance Consultant Visit

V. Eaton reported that the Huron Consulting Group report draft has not been received.

Item 2— Professors Involved in Research

J. McGahan provided information gained regarding the percent of faculty actively involved in research. He indicated that he found that prior to investigating the percent of faculty involved in research, the definition of "research" needed to be established. Discussion focused on the idea that research was accountable, documented, public, and peer-reviewed. Further discussion was advised.

Item 3— Indirect Costs

N. Campbell provided information regarding indirect cost distribution. Information provided is for use by the committee and is not intended for distribution. Currently no indirect costs are being distributed to the colleges or departments. N. Campbell was asked to provide a list of all funded grants for the next meeting.

Item 4—IRB Training

56 persons have completed the training. Discussion took place regarding the elimination of some modules or more selection as to who needs to complete certain modules (specifically medical and international) and regarding the length of time involved in truly completing the training. Committee members were asked to complete the training.

Item 5—Handling of Data (disposal)

The problem of data confidentiality and its disposal was discussed. It was decided that the IRB Committee should look at this issue.

Item 6--Development Grants and Matching \$'s for Graduate School

Noted for future discussion

Item 7--Sabbaticals

Noted for future discussion. H. Mehendale will provide additional information on the topic at a future meeting.

This meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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