

OGRD Items:

1. Fall plans:

a. Faculty Development Series:

- i. Currently there are two FDS tracks, the Faculty Education Track and the Productive Proposal Writing Track.
- ii. OGRD hopes to add a new track called the Faculty Grants Management Track that will help PI's "get started". We may ask some Departments to help with this. (Dan Nordquist)

b. SPA Conference:

- i. OGRD hopes to offer this conference again in February 2008. Please contact Dan Nordquist if you would like to help. (Dan Nordquist)

2. PNNL Liability Language Update:

- a. The Department of Energy has changed their environment, health and safety requirements which they have flowed down to all contractors and subcontractors (PNNL, Battelle, etc). Some of this language has caused concern at higher levels within WSU and other Universities. OGRD is currently negotiating the language with our DOE contractors. (Brenda Griffin)

3. Life Science Discovery Fund, RFP#2:

- a. The second RFP for the Life Science Discovery Fund is coming up in late June and is organized into two sections.
 - i. The first are "Project Proposals" and there is no submission limit.
 - ii. The second are "Program Proposals" and they are going to be limited. The Office of Research is working with the Deans on this.
 - iii. On June 19th John Durocher will be in Pullman to give a presentation in Lighty 405. (Dan Nordquist)

4. International Collaborations Website:

- a. Final touches are being made to the OGRD International Collaborations website that will help departments and faculty get familiar with the requirements of working with foreign entities and individuals. (Brenda Griffin)

5. NSF Ranking Data:

- a. WSU ranks 22 on the new chart of highest federal expenditures for research institutions without medical schools. OGRD expects that WSU will begin to focus on "growing" our federal expenditures. (Dan Nordquist)

6. New REX:

- a. OGRD recently finished the final draft of the new REX form, which is an Adobe XML form with drop downs. Specific colleges on campus will be asked to "test" the new form. Full use will be implemented on campus after the test. (Dan Nordquist)

7. UPDATE TO CURRENT REX:

- a. On the current REX form on Question # 16 the link to the new Export Control Review (ECR) form for the Office of Research Assurances has been added. PI's that mark "yes" to this question will need to complete the ECR form and submit it to Lorraine in the Office of Assurance here on campus. (Brenda Griffin)

SPS Items: Coming