

RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD
April 3, 2018
8:30-10:00 a.m.
Medical Sciences Building- S118

AGENDA

1. Updates from Michael and Wallace (8:30-9:00)
 - a. RASP Update, Michael
 - b. Change in RAB Schedule to 3rd Tuesdays of every month will be implemented in August 2018, Michael
 - c. Bridge Funding, Michael

 2. Round table discussion continuation (9:10-10:00)
 - a. Monetary Support for Post Docs, James Sorensen
 - b. Research Sub-Contracts, James Sorensen
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Upcoming Meetings

May 1

June 5

July 3 - CANCELLED

3rd Tuesday of every month in 2018, Room S-30:

August 21

September 18

October 16

November 20

December 18

RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD (RAB)

April 3, 2017

8:30-10am

Medical Sciences Building, Chancellors Conference Room S-118

Attendees: Michael Nordberg, Theresa Moeler, MC Gaisbauer, Eunice Stephens, Suzanne Murphy, Jennifer Grandis, Brian Smith, Georgina Lopez, James Sorensen, Jim Kiriakis, Vanessa Jacoby, Clarice Estrada, David Erle, John Ellis, Matt Springer, Lindsey Criswell, Winona Ward

Updates from Michael and Wallace

1. RASP Update, Michael Nordberg

RASP (Research Administrative Space Policy Group) is a group comprised of administrators and faculty members. The group spent months going over research space metrics and looking at potential additional metrics. Indirect cost recovery per square foot. Metrics were adopted and approved by Paul Jenny and Dan. The group is currently working on administrative metrics. Some metrics include ASF/occupants, ASF/ workstations, and occupants/work stations. The metrics are tracked on average for each building and track for each department. Space lens has been beneficial for researchers. Temporary fix period lens are documented. Policy language to include an end date on space and reevaluated. Space often is a hot topic as the Parnassus Revitalization program begins its initial planning stages. Administrative space includes academic offices, the group wants control points to be required to be involved in any formal loan on space with an end date.

2. Change in RAB Schedule, Michael Nordberg

The RAB schedule will be changed to the 3rd Tuesday of every month and will be implemented starting August 2018.

3. Bridge Funding, Michael Nordberg

At the March RAB meeting, bridge funding was discussed as a topic of concern because there was uncertainty about the program being extended. Bridge funding generally should be a gift or a loan. For example, Matt received bridge funding with the department of medicine, however it needing to pay it back with discretionary funds. There continues to be a lack of uniformity in how it is applied across the campus. Other discussions around bridge funding is in regards to the cap of the funding being at \$100k, and inequality of those being approved to receive bridge funding. Because departments are the decision makers on who does or does not receive funding, it can discourage junior PIs from applying for bridge funding. It is recommended that the Academic Senate and RAB discuss and potentially find a solution to address the inconsistency in awarding bridge funding. Additionally, any PI in a financial situation should be encouraged to apply to both RAP grants and bridge funding.

Round table discussion continuation

1. Monetary support for post docs, James Sorensen

James currently has a couple of T-32 grant post-doctoral fellows in his lab. It is not clear across departments, what is the cost for PIs to bring in people. With the current sources of money (i.e. the NRSA stipend (\$48k), UCSF required amount (\$50k), there is a difference of \$2400, and it is not clear to the department/PI as to who can pay for the difference. Is it possible to use federal funding to pay for the gap, if not is it up to the investigator/mentors to cover the gap?

Action Items:

MC Gaisbauer has a chart she can send out to help investigators understand how best to combine their funding sources. MC is also working with a group to reevaluate the NIH policy and provide guidance on funding for graduate students.

2. Research sub-contracts, James Sorensen

In a past meeting, there was a presentation given to update the Research Advisory Board on sub-contracts and issues that are being addressed. Issues with the sub-contracts process continues to arise and it was suggested that

an update be provided. The process has greatly improved from the last discussion, however some issues still need to be addressed.

3. Educating investigators on when and how to include APEX during the grant submission process for clinical trials, Jenny Grandis

Jenny has recently come across an issue where investigators are looping in the APEX team for requests during grant submittals last minute. How can communication and education be broadcasted to investigators in regards to this process? It was suggested that some language be placed on a website to guide investigators on this process.

Action Items:

1. Suggestions are to have periodic presentation updates from RAB from different groups within the office of research.