PPBC Meeting minutes, 10/10/2018

Present: Deb Donovan (chair), Steve McDowell, Takele Seda, John Gilbertson, Nicole Hoekstra, James Hearne, Pete Stelling, Brad Johnson (Dean), Ben Miner (Assoc. Dean)

Deb Donovan agreed to chair the committee again this year. Pete Stelling agreed to be scribe for the committee this year.

Coarse PPBC Schedule for ‘18/’19 academic year

Brad Johnson provided a suggested list of topics to focus on this year:

- Finish COPEP and accept the final version. We need to establish a date for final acceptance, and use this date for acceptance of annual revisions hereafter.
  - Brad suggested we meet with the Personnel Committee later in the year to identify any issues in the COPEP they may have found.
- College Strategic Plan needs to be aligned with University Strategic Plan, especially in Core Themes, as these will have metrics used to evaluate progress toward achieving strategic goals for the University
- Brad showed the graphic for the timeline of strategic and emergent initiative review and development for the year. Brad anticipates PPBC will be involved in this process early winter quarter.
- Brad mentioned that the CSE Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Committee (EID) recently met and wants to have meaningful, ongoing discussions and evaluations of EID issues and the climate across the college. It appears this will first occur on a department level and hopefully inform the college-level climate needs and opportunities for improvement. Brad commented that this needs to be a continual discussion to build ongoing awareness of the issues.

Discussion of the RAC

- The process for evaluating internal funding proposals to RSP has changed. The new process will include a committee composed of three people from each college (total 21+ people). This committee will evaluate the merits of each proposal but will not rank the proposals. This new procedure will affect the way proposals will be framed, as the majority of the RAC will not have a science background.
- Dean/VP Gautam Pillay will have several questions and answer sessions regarding the updates to the RAC. Upcoming dates are:
  - October 11 Thursday 9:00 a.m. OM 483 Old Main
  - October 17 Wednesday 9:00 a.m. OM 585 Old Main
  - October 17 Wednesday 3:30 p.m. CF 314 Comm. Facility
  - October 19 Friday Noon SL 130 SMATE
  - October 22 Monday 9:00 a.m. OM 483 Old Main

- The new process raised several concerns within the PPBC. A letter outlining these concerns will be drafted by Deb prior to the next meeting. The final version of this letter will be submitted to Gautam as soon as possible.
- A list of nine faculty interested in being on the RAC. Discussion ensued. The top three candidates (Nikki Larson, Dave Patrick, Melissa Rice) were voted on and approved unanimously. A letter will be
drafted to let these candidates know they were selected and to let other candidates know that they were not.

Other
- John Gilbertson mentioned that previous work by PPBC focusing on safety guidelines are now sort of an unfunded mandate, which was specifically not allowed by previous rules. Brad agreed to look into this.