

**Instructional and Research Support Committee Meeting
March 11, 2011**

Present: Heidi Petry, Co-chair, Wayne Au and Munehiro Fukuda

Absent: Michael Goldberg and Kevin Laverty

Guest: Bruce Kochis, GFO Chair

Kochis opened the meeting with the IRSC to discuss the UW Bothell Internal Pilot Study Grants in partnership with Royalty Research Fund (RRF). UWB will coordinate with the RRF grant program to fund meritorious but unfunded RRF proposals with research cost recovery dollars. Kochis would like faculty involvement in this process, he charged the IRSC to work with the Office of Research Support on this. Clarification of the process for choosing recipients of the awards is needed, what criteria is used for the RRF external review and the internal UWB selection.

Kochis discussed a software system UWB currently approved that allows campuses to track faculty work for purposes such as accreditation, reports to external constituents, showcasing faculty work, etc. The AC has seen demos from the two leading companies that provide this software. Only one provides the fully featured product that seems to fit Bothell's needs – Digital Measures Activity Insight. Kochis would like the IRSC to review this tool and report on or alert the EC of any issues regarding this new system.

Kochis updated the IRSC on the Faculty Senate and legislative news. A proposal to expedite high school/college time to graduation was introduced in the legislature. This proposal would increase AP courses at the high school level to get students into college at a faster pace and increase proficiency courses at the college level to move students through college quicker.

The state budget forecast could severely impact higher education with cuts from \$400 million to a billion dollars predicted statewide.

**The next IRSC meeting will be scheduled.
The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm
Minutes submitted by Barbara Van Sant**