

Research and Creative Activity Committee Chair Report

Report of January 17, 2023, by Erik Lehnhoff

The committee met on December 6, 2022 with 3 members present. VPR Cifuentes and FS Chair Fasenko attended as guests.

VPR Cifuentes gave a presentation about why ARP 11.01 (<https://arp.nmsu.edu/11-01/>) needs to be updated for Research Centers and Institutes at NMSU. This initiative came from a retreat that the VPR had in the fall with Associate Deans for Research, where it was noted that there is very little policy regarding Centers / Institutes at NMSU, and what policy we do have is so vague that it would be easy to misuse. There are basically four things he would like policy to cover for Centers / Institutes: 1. Creation. 2. Funding. 3. Evaluation / oversight. 4. Sunsetting.

After VPR Cifuentes left the meeting, we discussed how to proceed. Gaylene Fasenko advised that if we take on the task of revising ARP 11.01, we take it in small bits to make the task seem more manageable.

No other business was conducted.