

Research and Creative Activity Faculty Senate (FS) Standing Committee Report

ITEM	NOTES
Date and Time of Meeting	Tuesday, November 28, 2023 from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
In Attendance	Taryn Price, Susan Beck, Sangu Angadi, Runwei Li, Frank Boutsen
Continuing Business	<p>The Committee discussed any final changes to the bill calling for NMSU leadership to establish a new fund for faculty to use toward publishing. Sangu added a comment to the document stating that 1% of grant monies that could possibly be used for the fund might total upwards of \$300,000 and Susan Beck confirmed this. The Committee decided it was most appropriate to request that the new fund be allocated .5% of IDC monies on a recurrent basis.</p> <p>Taryn added the bulk of the rationale with citations and Faruk contributed some information as well.</p> <p>Runwei asked if the Committee knew how many people the fund could anticipate trying to support on an annual basis, but Taryn is unsure of this data. Susan said there may be some way to get a rough number based on the number of people seeking to publish in open-access, paid journals in the past. Runwei also asked if it might be possible to remove the criteria that faculty must try and get funds from elsewhere first, too. As that would be difficult to prove and might run into equity issues.</p> <p>Frank mentioned a change in wording for the rationale.</p>
Adjournment	Meeting ended at 4:40 pm