

## NOTES

### Major Research Grant Committee Meeting

October 23, 2007

#### Members Present:

Nancy Tate, Chair

Bruce Mechtly

Steve Cann

Wanda Hinton, secretary

#### Members not Present but gave Comments:

Rob Hull

Nancy welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting today.

ELISHA/ELISHA: Requested funds in the amount of \$6,420.00 to record a program of violin-cello duos. The intent of the project is to provide a valuable resource for educators, music students. The committee believe this is a great project but wondered about the costs to pay a production company. Other questions raised were if this CD would become profitable, would WU receive any of the royalties? Committee ranked it 1 for priority in funding.

SHARAFY: Requested funds in the amount of \$10,301.51 for the creation of an Interactive Smart-Object/Image and Audio Based multi-lingual installation art piece embedded with intercultural components. The committee felt this was a very exciting project however, it was somewhat confusing understanding what the interaction between language and the robot is. In addition, a question was raised as to future presentations and any potential profits that should be due to WU. Committee ranked it 2 for priority in funding.

TUTWILER: Requested funds in the amount of \$9,339.06 for research project, *In the Line of Duty? Teachers who Risk their Lives to Protect Students*. In light of the recent incident at Virginia Tech, this would be a qualitative study based on the notion that teachers risking their lives to protect students is a modern day phenomenon which has yet to be fully understood. The committee felt this was a well designed proposal and recognized the effort put forth, however there were no plans mentioned for what the investigator would do with the data. Would it be published? Committee ranked it 3 for priority in funding.

This information will be forwarded to the Research Committee to decide funding and if so the amount of the award.