

**Research Development Grant Committee**  
**November 2, 2010**  
**Meeting Notes**

**Members Present:**

Pat Munzer, Chair  
Diane McMillen  
Sharla Blank  
Martha Imparato

Andrew Herbig (voted electronically)  
Norma Juma (voted electronically)  
Brenda Patzel (voted electronically)

Pat Munzer welcomed the committee and explained this was the last group of research grant applications for this fiscal year.

In addition, Pat Munzer explained that the one major research grant currently under review was submitted previously but was deferred by the committee until additional information was provided. No other major research grants were received for the major research grant committee or for this committee to review.

The committee reviewed six research grant applications (five small and one major) with a total requested of \$23,163.24. A summary of the applications received and the committee decision regarding each application follows.

**Small Research Grant:**

**Sundal, Mary** **Requested \$3,000.00**

Sociology/Anthropology Dept.

Two course-load reductions to help with preparation of two journal articles for publication  
Application awarded fully.

**Arterburn, Matthew** **Requested \$2,985.00**

Biology Dept.

Purchase of objective lenses for the Biology Department's new Zeiss microscope and additional scientific supplies to support research on the development of perennial wheat cultivars in collaboration with researchers at Washington State University.

Application awarded fully.

**Glover, Jenna** **Requested \$2,784.00**

Psychology Dept.

"Interpersonal Lives of Young Adult Women: A Study of Passionate Friendship"

Application awarded fully.

**McConnell-Farmer, Judith**                      **Requested \$2,933.25**

Education Dept.

"Day in Nicodemus" - partially fund preliminary research needed for writing a scholarly article  
Application awarded fully.

**Wang, Yeqiang**                                      **Requested \$2,450.99**

Art Dept.

Artistic project to explore the possibilities of combining digitally printed images with watercolor  
Application awarded fully.

### **Major Research Grant:**

**Wagner, Paul and Tracy**                      **Requested \$9,010.00**

Biology Dept

Research on a new model for Rating of Perceived Effort Scale (RPE)  
Application awarded fully.

### **Committee Actions**

The committee determined that in order to assure the most cost effective use of grant funds, applicants will be asked to compare the cost of renting a car versus the mileage for driving their personal car and asked to use the less expensive of the two.

In addition, the committee noted there seemed to be more requests for computers in grant proposals. The committee determined it was necessary to notify grant recipients that once their research project was completed, the computer remains the property of Washburn University and should remain in the department of the grant recipient, but would not necessarily become the property of the department. The VPAA office will begin tracking these computers so that in the future, if researchers need laptops they will have access to them for research purposes.

### **Funding Summary**

The total amount requested and awarded during this meeting was \$23,163.24. Total funds available for FY 2011 were \$50,000.00. The total amount of funds awarded for FY 2011 (spring and fall distribution) were \$46,402.17, which leaves a balance of \$3,597.83.

The balance remaining will be moved to Faculty Development to help cover any additional requests for spring distribution.