

Research Task Force (RTF) Minutes  
November 16, 2023

Present by Zoom:  
Jonathan Bird (chair)  
Mark Moehle  
Erica Dale  
Lisa Merlo  
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Apologies:  
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Agenda Items:

1. Lab Archives ELN rollout: Attendance at recent onsite training session by Linda Cubias was poorly attended. We will schedule additional onsite trainings, but will have a sign-up to ensure sure we only run sessions with sufficient attendees. College of Pharmacy is very interested in adopting Lab Archives, and has asked for an onsite training. JB and CB will work with UF Research to update their pages about Lab Archives and include a simple FAQ (this could also potentially be a COM - hosted page). ED will see if Lab Archives can be integrated into new faculty onboarding.
2. Update on initiative to build a recruitment pipeline to Santa Fe. JB and MM visited the Santa Fe Perry centre and gave presentations at the STEAM fest (STEM + Arts), to explain how we use biotechnology in our research. Event was very successful. Discussions are ongoing to host interns in the spring 2024 semester. JB, MM, MS to work on administrative details of how this will work.
3. JB gave update from most recent Research Advisory Council meeting held in October. Agenda was focused around discussions of Workforce and Infrastructure development as part of the COM strategic plan.
4. Other business. a) ED summarized new project as FC President to simplify biomedical researcher and clinical faculty matchmaking for potential collaborations. This does not currently happen. b) Robert Mankowski is stepping down from RTF. We all thank him for his service.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting TBD - likely January 2024.