Engineering Untenured Faculty Network Agenda
December 11, 2014
8:30-9:30 am, Edwards Conference room

1. Announcements
2. Introductions of Untenured Faculty Network Participants & Talk by VPR Karen Burg
3. Discussion of Difficult situations
4. Next Meeting— Friday, Jan 30, 11:30-12:30 (lunch provided)  
   “Increase the Impact of Your Research: K-REx and Open Access” Marty Courtois and Beth Turtle from Hale Library

Calendar - Fall and Spring 2014

Dec 12  Engineering Graduate Student Graduation Reception, 10:30am-12:00 p.m., International Grains Program building
Dec 15  Reception at President’s Residence, 12-1 pm or 3:30-5:00 pm
Jan 14  Scopus Session for Engineering & Agriculture untenured faculty, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Jan 14  NSF Basics, Part 1, 10:30 a.m. – noon
Jan 14  NSF Basics, Part 2, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Jan 15  Deadline: NSF National CAREER CMMI Workshop
Jan 21  Working with Industry Boot Camp
Jan 30  UNF Meeting – Libraries/KREX (tentative date)
Feb 13  UNF Meeting – Tenure and Promotion, Dean Dawson
Mar 27  UNF Meeting – Conflict Management, Terri McCants
Apr 17  UNF Meeting – Graduate Recruitment, Bala Natarajan & Ronaldo Maghirang
Apr 27 & 28  NSF National CAREER Workshop

New Day and Time – Spring 2015 Untenured Faculty Meetings

Thanks to all who responded to the survey for Spring 2015 topics and meeting times. Based on survey responses and schedule availability the spring meetings will be held over lunch one a month on Fridays, 11:30-12:30. Lunch will be provided. Location is to be determined. The tentative spring schedule and presenters:

- January 30 – Libraries/KREX – Marty Courtois
- February 13 – Tenure & Promotion – Dean Dawson
- March 27 – Conflict Management – Terri McCants
- April 17 – Graduate Recruitment – Bala Natarajan, Ronaldo Maghirang

UNF Meeting, Friday, Jan 30, “Increase the Impact of Your Research: K-REx and Open Access”

Marty Courtois of Hale Library’s Scholarly Communications will address publishing K-REx, open access, and related topics including copyright, publishing, and other issues of interest to new faculty. Beth Turtle will also discuss open access and library resources.

Funding Assistance Available for National CAREER Workshop – April 27 & 28, 2015

ERGP will be offering a 1:1 match in funding assistance up to $600 for those accepted to attend the workshop. The other half of the matching commitment must be provided as cash match by either the department, the
faculty member, or both. Contact Chassy Nichols at ERGP for funding arrangements once you have been accepted to attend. Please note the application deadline is January 15, 2015.

The 2015 NSF CAREER Proposal Writing Workshop is sponsored by the NSF Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation and will be held on April 27 and 28, 2015. The workshop will be hosted by Northeastern University in Boston, MA. This workshop will cover the basics of CAREER proposal writing and review. It will include presentations by NSF Program Officers and recent CAREER awardees, a mock panel review using actual awarded and declined CAREER proposals, and a feedback session where small groups will review and discuss the draft CAREER proposal project summaries that each participant prepare. The application procedure and tentative agenda for the workshop can be found at: http://aries.imse.ksu.edu/nsf/NSF2015/main.htm

Elsevier Scopus Workshop – January 14, 2015

Representatives from Elsevier scientific publishing will present a Scopus session specifically for the untenured faculty in the Colleges of Engineering and Agriculture on Wednesday, January 14, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Link to SciVal for a preview, http://www.elsevier.com/online-tools/research-intelligence/products-and-services/scival.

Note that the Scopus workshop and the NSF Basics webinar sessions (see below) are scheduled on the same day with all events held in in the International Grains Program Building (IGP) classroom. If you plan to attend the Scopus workshop, please RSVP to Bethany Swinney, beths2@ksu.edu by Thursday, December 18, 2014.


The NSF Proposal Development Basics webinars is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, in the International Grains Program Building (IGP) classroom. The first of the 2-part sessions will be 10:30 a.m. to noon with the second part from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. following lunch. The webinars are designed to help you develop an NSF proposal. This series is primarily targeted at investigators who have limited experience submitting to this agency. It is best to try and attend both sessions. Lunch will be served between sessions. If you plan to attend please RSVP to Bethany Swinney, beths2@ksu.edu by Thursday, December 18, 2014. Session topics for the NSF Webinars:

- Understanding your Audience and Reviewers (includes Merit Review process): Writing the Project Summary and Preparing Biographical Sketches
- Successfully Documenting your Resources (more important with Merit Review changes):Preparing the Project Description and Demonstrating your Research Topic’s Significance
- Preparing the Budget : Submitting your Proposal Using NSF FastLane and What Comes Next

Working with Industry Boot Camp – Save the Date: January 21, 2015

Don’t for get to mark your calendar to attend the opening session of the Working with Industry Boot Camp, 1:30-4 p.m. Jan. 21, 2015. Additional information will be provided closer to the event. If you have immediate questions please contact Richard Potter in the Office of Corporate Engagement, rmpotter@k-state.edu or 785-532-1840.

Opportunity for STEM faculty members to participate in 2015 Summer Research Program
The Kansas Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation is looking for science, technology, engineering or math faculty members to participate in the 2015 Research Immersion: Pathways to STEM summer program.

This is an eight-week summer research program that will occur from June 1-July 24, 2015. The program aims to provide a research experience for students enrolled at the alliance associated community colleges — Donnelly College, Dodge City Community College, Garden City Community College and Seward County Community College — with a goal to increase engagement of underrepresented minority students in science, technology, engineering and math fields. The program also intends to ease the transition of students from their community colleges to K-State by providing interactions between student participants and K-State support services throughout the summer.

Students are paired with faculty mentors based on their stated interests. During the program, student participants are expected to commit 30-36 hours per week to their research experience. This may include conducting experiments, collecting and analyzing data, library/database work or other research related activities.

Faculty mentors interested in participating should be available to work with students throughout the majority of the eight-week program. We encourage mentors to meet often with student participants as well as be available for social gatherings that occur throughout the summer.

If you are interested in serving as a faculty mentor, or if you have questions about the program, please contact Brennee King, Kansas Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation project coordinator, at Isamp@k-state.edu.

New NSF Grants Proposal Guidelines (GPG)

Please find attached the latest NSF GPG, NSF 15-1, with the words “must” and “required” highlighted for your reference to assist you in preparing an NSF submission. The GPG is Part I of the NSF Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG). Also included is the “Summary of Significant Changes to the PAPPG.”

General ERGP and University Support of Research Opportunities

ERGP Updated Webpage for Funding Opportunities
We have updated our webpage to help you see items that are of interest to you including 1) new funding opportunities for engineering related activities, funding opportunities with deadlines in the next 60 days (including internal deadlines) and other funding opportunities of interest. Check back weekly to see the latest updates.  http://www.engg.ksu.edu/ergp/fundinginfo/fundingopps.html

University Resources for Funding Opportunities
Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) Funding Connection.  http://www.k-state.edu/research/funding/connection/index.html

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