COMMISSION ON RESEARCH  
October 5, 2005  
325 Burruss Hall  
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.


Invited Guests: B. Knocke, M. McNamee, and T. Pickering

Others: P. Pettry

1. Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved with the addition of one item – old business.

2. Approval of Minutes of September 14, 2005: Minutes were approved as written.

3. Election of Vice Chair: Dr. Mike Akers was nominated and elected as vice chair.

4. Research Space – Mark McNamee, Bill Knocke, and Brad Fenwick: Dr. Knocke provided an overview of the activities of the CRC research space committee and the proposed new financial model. He mentioned the research space committee minutes are published on the provost’s website. Dr. Knocke stated the goal of the committee is to make recommendations to the provost at or around Thanksgiving. Much discussion followed on the temporary and long-term effects of the change, the impact of perceptions among the faculty, and the benefits to building at the Corporate Research Center versus on campus. Dr. McNamee mentioned this is the time to fully discuss this amongst the university community. It was agreed this process needs to be open and transparent with communication among all areas of the university.

5. Committee Tasks for 2005-2006: In addition to items listed in the September meeting, Dr. Easterling suggested the following topics: 1) grievances; 2) conflict of interest/conflict of commitment; 3) incentives to faculty – continuing education; and 4) consulting practices and outreach to attract top-notch faculty.

6. Old Business: Dr. Blair asked the membership to submit any suggestions on policy 6200 (Research Extended Appointments) to Dr. Pat Hyer.
7. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 5:10PM.