

# CIRAR Research Team Monthly Meeting Minutes

3/3/2005, SON Student Lounge, 12-1pm

**Attendees:** David Hirsh, Mary Mundinger, Eric Rose, Suzanne Bakken, Katie Conway, Phyllis Della-Latta, Sherry Glied, Janet Haas, Sabrina Haas, Scott Hammer, Kristine Kulage, Susan Lin, Frank Lowy, Maureen Miller, Anna Neumann, Dave Quiros, Lisa Saiman, Aaron Schwartz, Patricia Stone, Elaine Larson, Sally Aboeela, Beth Fatato (recorder).

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Workplan/Follow-up
<p><b>1. Preliminary meeting with Oversight Group, Chairs, Co-Directors, &amp; Staff</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After a round of introductions, Larson gave a presentation on CIRAR to Oversight Group. Larson notified group of important upcoming dates: <b>Jul 14<sup>th</sup></b> symposium with External Advisory Board members &amp; S. Levy as speaker; <b>Jun 2<sup>nd</sup></b> NIH site visit to see progress of CIRAR &amp; what's needed for Consortium.</li> <li>• Larson: also plan to have a panel of speakers who direct other centers discuss what works. Hirsh: Jim Yardley runs very successful Nanotech Center.</li> <li>• When discussing barriers to interdisciplinary research, Oversight Group agreed it can be potentially difficult to work between schools and determine costs-sharing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Please mark important dates in calendar:</u></b> <b><u>Jun 2:</u></b> NIH site visit <b><u>Jul 14:</u></b> Symposium w/ External Advisory Board</li> <li>• Larson &amp; Networking Group to follow-up on Hirsh suggestion of contacting Jim Yardley.</li> <li>• Oversight Group to continue working with Center on how to address barriers to interdisciplinary research.</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Oversight Group meeting with larger Research Team</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairs' Reports: Each Chair (or their designee) reported on Work Groups: Seminar Series; Gap Analysis; Interdisciplinary Process; and Networking.</li> <li>• Hammer: in addition to Jul 14 symposium, also plan to have a closed symposium with industry inviting those from scientific development side to speak on the issues &amp; where might collaborate.</li> <li>• Larson went over Baseline Assessment Form Summary and NIH Consortium release discussing submission of a number of grants under a single consortium umbrella.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members start thinking about possible grants to submit under the consortium.</li> </ul>

<p><b>3. Input from Oversight Group</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rose: advise spending less time on interdisciplinary process and more time on actual projects, focus more on developing grants for Consortium application. Munding: has there been effort to engage outside of Columbia? Larson: have reached out to CDC, NYAS, NYAM to collaborate. Hirsh: might consider regional collaborations or something across country to get larger spectrum. Lowy: currently in good standing for proposals both community based &amp; hospital based (rapid diagnosis for antimicrobial resistant organisms, transmission in drug community, bodega studies, seed money for pilot studies, etc). Larson: need 5-6 people to take lead as PIs for grants. Rose: need senior people to talk more about ideas for projects. Hirsh: get people together more frequently. Rose: also might want to bring in more basic researchers.</li> <li>Saiman: any ideas on how to give credit for faculty development. Hirsh: for tenure, decision relies heavily on research, and the opportunity to participate in new venues of research for higher quality products will likely appeal to juniors.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Larson: now that we know what NIH is looking for, will focus more on developing projects and grants.</li> <li>Senior staff should consider taking lead as PIs for grants.</li> <li>Larson to discuss Consortium details further with NIH when visiting in April as well as during NIH site visit Jun 2.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group to further explore ideas for faculty development and credit for conducting interdisciplinary research.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4. NEXT MEETING TIME</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE: THURSDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 12noon-1pm.</u></b>  SON 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Student Lounge.  (Next meeting dates: 4/7, 5/5, 6/2)</p>	

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