

EXCERPTS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT'S ACADEMIC COUNCIL (VPAC)
PLANNING MEETING NOTES
Monday, November 7, 2010 9.30 am
New Westminster Boardroom

The following items are excerpts from the Planning Meeting notes of VPAC.

2. **Research & Scholarly Activity (RSA) Funding Recommendations**

David Wright attended the meeting to speak to this item.

- In response to a question about what criteria were used to approve/disapprove conference presentations, he explained that the Committee had based their decision on how the presentation could be applied to the classroom and be of benefit to students. The committee used their specified ranking number to apply the cut-off for funding recommendations.
- The sectional release does cut into the budget and he indicated that this may have to be reassessed in the future.
- The RSA website will have a large FAQ section, he requested that the Deans direct faculty to this as a first step.
- On the RSA application form, the Committee would like to change the section which currently asks about reporting out to the College Community to asking for the general outcomes.
- The Committee would like to add another box on the ranking form on budget in order to enable the Adjudication Committee to assess the budget.
- The Committee would like to be more electronic. After discussion it was agreed that there would be a box that the Dean has received a copy of each application and it would be up to each Dean to determine how much they would like to be involved in the application.
- VPAC approved the RSA Funding recommendations as presented.

3. **Faculty Emeritus**

Only one nomination was received, for Carol St Jean in the Faculty of Developmental Education. Tom strongly supported the nomination. After discussion VPAC approved the nomination and will forward it to the President with their recommendation that Faculty Emeritus status be given to Carol.