

FRAC Meeting Notes
August 17, 2007

1. The FRAC meetings for the next couple of months will consist of updates from key areas under the Office of Research and Economic Development, discussing the mission and purpose of the committee and
2. Presentation by Robyn Remotigue, Assistant Director Sponsored Programs Administration
New Initiatives, Sponsored Programs Administration

Presentation included:

- Growth in SPA Organization
- Electronic Initiatives
- Grants.gov
- Customer Service

Comments:

- It is important to have proposals submitted to SPA in a timely manner to ensure it meets the proposal deadline.
- Get the budget to SPA quickly.
- Faculty need to provide feedback in order to continue to improve the SPA program.

If interested in presenting a version of the presentation to a specific group, contact Robyn Remotigue.

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3. In the coming months, the Office of Research and Economic Development will convene a group to review the suggestions from the Strategic Planning Meetings.
4. Topics for future meetings:
 - What do you want out of this committee?
 - Create a mission statement.
 - What is the relationship between MAFES and ORED?
 - What is the relationship between centers and academic units?