Cabinet Meeting Minutes December 06, 2010
3:30pm, 625 Rieveschl Hall, UC West Campus


1. Minutes: Cabinet Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2010 were unanimously approved.

2. President’s Report:
   2a. Ron reported on the Sigma Xi National Meeting, Raleigh, North Carolina. Food safety was the theme of the meeting, and next year the focus will be on ethics in science.

3. Treasurers Report:
   3a. Steve reported $4,883.30 in checking and 3,835.06 in CD.
   3b. University of Cincinnati Foundation balance (principal and available cash) is unknown.
   3c. There is approximately $16,000.00 in the Dillard Endowment Fund with somewhere between $6,500.00 and $6,600.00 available for Scholarships, Awards, and Program Fund.

4. Committee Reports:
   4a. Awards: Edna noted that we need nominations for the Young Investigator Award, which is due December 15, 2010. We need SWO Math/Science High School Teacher nominations, which are also due December 15, 2010. Ron added that we need to get out flyers concerning the new University of Cincinnati Sigma Xi Chapter undergraduate and graduate scholarships.
   4b. Membership: Dave Meyer reported that there was between 12-14 new members inducted 2010. The new nominations and they need to be added to the website.
   4c. Website: Ron reported that the University of Cincinnati Chapter of Sigma Xi website will be up by January 01, 2011. A paragraph for fund raising will be written for the list serve.
   4d. Advisory Board: Ron stated that the Advisory Board is currently inactive. Ron suggested that the past president of the chapter should become the chair of the nominating committee.

5. Discussion of Old Business:
   5a. Steve and David Butler are going to put together a proposed budget for the 2011 Chapter activities as well as an organizational chart. Proposed total approximately $6,000.00.
   5b. Ron noted that the Chapter bylaws should be updated and approved. Proposed draft distribution date February 10, 2011 to membership for comment with cabinet and board approval March 10, 2011.
   5c. Spring 2011 lecture, new member induction, and banquet scheduled March 10, 2011.
   5d. STEM will be the focus of the Sigma Xi-UC Center of Excellence sponsored event.
   5e. Science and math tutors are needed for the Hughes STEM High School program and the Science and Engineering Experts for Ohio Innocence Project.

6. New Business:
   6a. The Sigma Xi/AAAS/NPR Science Café, weather pending, will be held December 09, 2010 and January 20, 2011 at Slatts Pub, Blue Ash, Ohio.
   6b. David Meyer nominated as the Keynote Speaker for the Science and Engineering Expo, March 12, 2011. Judges are sought for this event.
   6c. Collaborations are sought with Fellows of the UC Graduate School. Additional initiatives include Science, Science Policy, and National Security between Sigma Xi and UC’s department of Political Science, Science and Engineering Ethics and Sigma Xi and
UC Graduate School, and Science and Human Rights and Sigma Xi and Human Rights Institute and UC College of Law.

7. Other Business Discussed

7a. Next cabinet meeting date/location: January 21, 2011 at 3:00 pm, 625 Rieveschl Hall.