

MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara H. Eccles
University Secretary

From: Dr. Grazia Viola
Chair, Senate Research Committee 2017/2018

Senate Meeting Date: Monday, January 15, 2018

Subject: Senate Research Committee – Monthly Report to Senate

One SRC meeting has occurred since the last report (December 15, 2017).

Research Awards

The SRC received one application for the Distinguished Researcher Award. The recipient of this award will be announced during Research and Innovation Week.

Conference Travel Guidelines

The SRC passed a motion that eligible researchers on sabbatical be eligible to receive 100% funding for Conference Travel, and that the following statement be removed from the guidelines (and wherever else it may appear): “Faculty members on sabbatical leave may be considered for funding support for conference costs to 85% of the costs to a maximum of \$850 per fiscal year.”

Reviews of Research Centres and Institutes

The Centre for Rural and Northern Health Research (CRaNHR) and the Centre for Education and Research on Aging and Health (CERAH) have both been reviewed. The SRC accepted the committees’ reports and recommendations for both centres.

University Library

With support from the Vice-President, Research and Innovation and the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences, the library has purchased a subscription to Cabell’s, a database which identifies predatory journals.

Canada Research Chairs (CRC) Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan

As mandated by the government, the Office of the Vice-President has posted Lakehead University's CRC Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan. The plan can be found [here](#).

Strategic Research Planning

The co-chairs of the Strategic Research Planning committee presented a proposed framework for the Strategic Research Plan, which will be composed of principles, priorities, and initiatives. The committee will begin consultation sessions in the new year.

Sincerely,



Dr. Grazia Viola
Chair, 2017-2018
Senate Research Committee