Regional Election Candidate Statement/Bio Example

Statement of Interest

I attended my first regional NCURA meeting in Couer D’ Alene, ID in the mid 90s when it was close to our campus in Pullman. It was a great opportunity to learn from the session, but even more importantly begin networking with other research administrators. I was fortunate to be able to continue to attend meetings until I left WSU in 2001. When I returned to WSU in 2006 one of the first things I did was reconnect and become a member of NCURA. This organization has expanded my thinking beyond the organization I work in and has helped develop me as a better research administrator.

As a Departmental Administrator I am pulled in many directions, the regional meetings have been invaluable to me, giving me a time to focus on research administration and hear the latest on what is happening in the research administration world. The opportunity to volunteer for the Treasurer position is a way for me to give back in an area I feel I have a lot of experience with and would also be a great opportunity to get more involved in the organization. Helping NCURA and this region continue to grow and provide this resource to other research administrators would be a privilege.

Brief Bio

Tim Mildren started in Research Administration in August of 1989 as a departmental administrator at Washington State University. He initially worked for a non-academic research unit and then was promoted to work in Academic unit with a wide variety of research activities and service centers supporting many researchers. In 2001 he left higher education for a few years working for Maui Memorial Hospital and then Kapalua Land Company on Maui. In April of 2004 he returned to higher education to work at the University of Arizona as the Business Manager for University Animal Care and then returned to Washington State University in April of 2006. In May of 2007 he was promoted to his current position as the Finance Officer for the College of Nursing at Washington State University.