RAC Minutes 4/1/10:

OGRD Items:

a. Introduction of visiting NCURA fellow, Roberto Chincarini (Jackie Bolden)
   i. NCURA fellow visiting from Italy for April. Roberto will be meeting with some departments and PI’s throughout this month.

b. Introduction of Sara Pepper (Jackie Bolden)
   i. OGRD has hired Sara Pepper as a Proposal Writer and will be working mainly on large, collaborative proposals. Her contact information is sara.pepper@wsu.edu or (509) 335-1848.

c. Paul Weed presentation on Pilot ABD program (Paul Weed):
   i. Beginning Spring Semester 2010, the Graduate School will offer a new assistantship service through the “All But Dissertation” (ABD) Waiver Pilot Program. This program will offer numerous benefits for faculty and students, but most specifically, it will encourage the use of extramural grants in support of students seeking their PhDs. The Graduate School will process, monitor, and approve all students who qualify for ABD waivers.
      ii. More information can be found here: http://gradschool.wsu.edu/futurestudents/abdwavier.aspx

d. eREX Reminders (Jackie Bolden and Derek Brown)
   i. Reminder that the eREX approval process is the Departments responsibility to manage/guide through the process by the deadline time.
   ii. If you don’t receive timely email notifications near deadlines on eREX forms you feel have been submitted please contact OGRD to inquire the status.

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