UAB Faculty Activities Committee
November 7, 2016
12:00 – 1:00 pm
SHPB-645

Members Present: Curtis A Carver, Kenneth A Banasiewicz, Claudio Busettini , Lary Cowart, David Chaplin, Jon Corliss, Lauretta Gerrity, Jaime Hudson, Divya Kondepudi, Roy Koomullil, Lisa McCormick, Ralph O'Flinn, Scott Plutchak, Kenneth D Pruitt, Midge Ray, Larry Tyson, and Mary Warren

I. **Welcome and Introductions**:
   a. Midge Ray welcomed the Faculty Activities Committee members and reviewed the meeting agenda. Members introduced themselves.

II. **Update on the Project:**
   a. Oracle Cleanup: Oracle data is being cleaned up by the schools and department faculty and the expected completion date for the cleanup is the end of November. Several schools have already completed the cleanup. HR and IT are working together to get the names of the Foreign institutions added to the system.

   b. Version 5.1.2 testing: This is the new software version that is going to be launched before the Thanksgiving holidays; currently we are testing it out in the QA instance. The Faculty Profiles help desk personnel from the departments that have been trained did pilot testing on the new version and we received positive feedback with only minor issues.

       i. **ORCID** is fully integrated with the new update of Faculty Profiles. Publications added to an ORCID profile are automatically added to faculty profiles. The system will prompt the user to set up or provide an ORCID ID; the setup is a very simple process and takes bout 2 minutes.

       ii. **MLA DATA SOURCE:** The MLA Bibliography has been added as a data source. This will be particularly helpful to several of the CAS departments and the School of Education.

   c. VIVO platform: VIVO is a public facing system. VIVO will be integrated with Faculty Profiles sometime after the first of the year.

   d. Reporting Function: Midge gave a demo of current custom and evaluation reports and indicated that research managers and department chairs can generate group (aggregate) reports.

   e. Other: Curt Carver reported that Ralph O'Flinn (IT developer) will now be working full-time on the project. President Watts wants all schools to be using the system by the end of the spring term.

III.   **Update on Training :** Following is a list of departments that are trained or In progress
  b. Trained/Completed: Education, Library, Optometry, Engineering, Health Professions, Dentistry and Public Health.
  c. In progress : SOM – department by department, CAS – department by department and T32 faculty

IV.   **Meeting Adjourned** at 11:55 am.