

Research Advisory Committee

1. Old Business

- a. Approve minutes from Sept 16

Minutes were approved as submitted.

- b. Discussion of Land Permitting Process- determine what, if, any, official comments the RAC would like to provide

The new permitting process was discussed. AL pointed out that it should be made clear when in the process the application for a land permit should be submitted; it appears that the permitting office would prefer to start an application before a grant is actually even approved—if this is the case, this information should be circulated more widely. The question was also raised whether the UAF land office coordinates with OGCA? Improved communication between the units could help trigger notifications for PIs should they need proposals (useful for new PIs who may not know the process).

The issue of insurance for research materials/equipment was also raised; this is something RAC may want to tackle in a later meeting. BUSMgt is a Jwith represented on RAC—i.e., proposal development/mentoring, submission, administration

Most of the meeting was dedicated to discussing these issues. Several points/issues were raised:

- Mentoring/orientation

- **Research faculty need to have mentoring/orientation**