Update from the Director

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OSR-Evanston Quarterly Network
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Staffing Updates

- Ethan McGinnis, Administrative Assistant
- Aaron DeLee, Assistant Grants Officer
Proposal & Award Workflow Changes

- Moving forward with business process changes associated with both proposal and award workflow
- Will result in some increased work – on both sides
- Designed to increase transparency, accountability, and effectiveness
Award Workflow Changes

• Live in October

• Tracking of the award set-up process

• Process developed in InfoEd that will capture where award is in workflow

• Keep in mind that this process is focused on tracking awards *once an award is in place*
  • Unilateral award arrives
  • Bi-lateral or multi-lateral award is fully executed

• Metrics forthcoming
Proposal Workflow Changes

• Estimated “go-live” in January

• Tracking of the proposal process using
  • Admin Shell Route
  • Final Route

• *Significant* change in workflow associated with business processes for proposal review and submission
  • Consolidated review from OSR for admin shell review

• Dedicated brown bags in January
Standard Research Agreement

• Offers standard terms that Northwestern can endorse – expediting negotiation and time to award execution

• May be provided to collaborators before formal negotiations occur – can be found on website or obtained from contracting team or grants team

• Please use the most current version!

http://osr.northwestern.edu/sites/default/files/osr_standard_research_agreement_2015-10.pdf
SBIR/STTR Mechanisms

- Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)
- Small Business Technology Transfer Program (STTR)

- Increased federal scrutiny/enforcement

- Generally - requirement that SBC performs at least 40% of the R&D, and primary partnering research institution at least 30% of the R&D – STTR

- Primary employment of PI on small business side – SBIRs

- Confirmation of fundamental research

- Session at next QN!
OSR-Evanston Early Closing
Friday, December 4th
12:00pm

OSR-Evanston Holiday Open House
Friday, December 11th
2:00pm-4:00pm
Questions?