Welcome to our monthly highlights bulletin covering the status of the Academic Master Plan’s strategic research initiatives, as well as administration and operations updates. This month’s notable highlights include our hosting the Life Science Alliance Forum and the approval of the Research Development Academy NIH R01 Program Digital Badge by the Rutgers–New Brunswick Digital Badge Committee. Below are functions led by the OVPR Director and team:

### AMP Life Sciences Alliance
- Agendas, PPTs, minutes, and communications completed for all meetings
- ESC, PST, and Leadership Meetings (19 hours)
- Finalized LSA Forum booklet, agenda, PPT, and communications.
- Hosted Forum with 30 presentations and 76 attendees representing 9 schools, 23 departments, and OfR.
- Preparations for final PST meeting
- Finalized LSA Forum RFP on InfoReady
- Supported ESC during the completion of end-of-year recommendations by collating all Padlet and document data

### Administration & Operations
- Meetings scheduled (48)
- Monthly budget review
- Indirect Cost Waiver benchmark, analysis, and Leadership Strategy Meetings (5)
- Website updates
- Federal Work-Study Student supervision
- OVPR weekly agenda updates
- Human Resources / Staff professional development
- OVPR 2023–2024 Annual Report outline updates

### Other AMP Strategic Initiatives
- PERC position CARF in progress
- Krios PERC meetings (2)
- Finance/Roadmaps meetings
- Fellow mentorship meetings (5)
- Research Deans Meeting
- Initiated first draft of Limited Submissions SOP
- Research Development Academy grant application submissions
- Rutgers/Cornell 300 kV Krios Cryo-Transmission Electron Microscope MOA meetings (2)
- Governance Structure Presentation materials to Chancellor’s Office
- OVPR Representation at NORDP Conference

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**Notable Mentions** – A special thanks goes to Elena Schneider, the Events and Program Manager from New Brunswick Libraries, for her outstanding logistical support for numerous OVPR events held in Alexander Library, including research deans meetings, task force meetings, and other business meetings. The success of our events is due in no small part to her support and commitment to working collaboratively with campus partners.

Cheers,

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