

Agenda
Merrill Research Retreat
The Barn, Valley Falls
June 20-22, 2007

“Future Directions for Federal Research Funding”

Wednesday, June 20

6:30 pm Opening Reception

7:30 Dinner

Welcome by **Mabel Rice**, Director of the Merrill Center at KU
Introduction of Participants

Thursday, June 21

7:30 am Breakfast

8:30 Welcome and introduction of the speaker
Mabel Rice

8:45-9:45 Keynote Address by **James Battey**, Director, National Institute of Deafness and Other
Communicative Disorders, NIH
“NIDCD and Stem Cells: Current Challenges and Future Promise”

9:45-10:30 Discussion with **Moderator Mabel Rice**

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:30 Panel 1: Research Administrators
Prem Paul, Vice Chancellor for Research, University of Nebraska-Lincoln ***“Sustained
and Balanced Investment in Research & Innovation Critical to U.S. Competitiveness”***
Joseph Steinmetz, Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences,
University of Kansas ***“The Importance of External Grant Support for a Public College
of Arts and Science”***

11:30-12:00 Discussion with **Moderator Kathleen McCluskey-Fawcett**

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 Group Photo

- 1:30-2:30 Panel 2: Researchers
Richard J. Barohn, M.D., Professor and Chairman, Dept. of Neurology, KUMC “*Update on the General Clinical Research Program and the Heartland Institute for Clinical and Translational Research*”
Steven F. Warren, Director, Schiefelbusch Institute for Life Span Studies, Director, Kansas Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Research Center, Professor, Applied Behavioral Science “*Past as Prelude: Lessons for the Future Learned from 50 Years on the Edge*”
Jordan Green, Associate Professor and the Corwin Moore Chair in Communication Disorders at University of Nebraska-Lincoln “*The Natural History of a Federally Funded Researcher*”
- 2:30-3:00 Discussion with Moderator **Keith Yehle**
- 3:00-3:15 Break
- 3:15-4:15 Panel 3: Research Administrators
Jim Roberts, Vice Provost for Research, KU “*Industry Funding of University Research: Can it Replace Federal Funding?*”
Beth A. Montelone, Assoc Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, KSU “*Initiatives to Increase Faculty Competitiveness for Federal Research Funding*”
Barbara Atkinson, Executive Vice Chancellor, University of Kansas Medical Center; Executive Dean, School of Medicine “*The Next Frontier*”
- 4:15-5:00 Discussion with Moderator **Kathleen McCluskey-Fawcett**
- 7:00 Dinner
- Friday, June 22
- 7:30 am Breakfast
- 8:25 Opening Remarks—**Mabel Rice**
- 8:30-9:10 Panel 4: Researchers
TBA: Iowa State researcher “Title TBA”
Loretta Johnson, Assoc Prof, Division of Biology, KSU “*The Emerging Field of Ecological Genomics*”
- 9:10-9:30 Discussion with **Moderator Mabel Rice**
- 9:30-10:10 Panel 5: Research Administrators
John A. Brighton, Vice President for Research and Economic Development, Iowa State University “*Competitive vs. Directed (Earmarks) Funding: How to Manage/Various Agencies*”
Paul Terranova, Director, Center for Reproductive Sciences, KUMC “*The Status of Research at KUMC*”
- 10:10-10:30 Discussion with **Moderator Jeremy Anderson**
- 10:30-10:45 Break

- 10:45-11:30 Panel 6: Research Administrators
Brian Foster, Provost, University of Missouri/Columbia “*Keeping our Bearings in Very Rough Seas*”
Richard Lariviere, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor, University of Kansas
“*Comments on Future Directions for Research*”
- 11:30-12:00 Open Discussion with Moderator—**Mabel Rice**
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Departure