

June 27, 2014 Annual Report from the UMW Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee

We held meetings and facility inspections in August, 2013 and January, 2014. While this was off of our stated meeting schedule, it allowed for us to examine the rooms to be used by Psychology in the Annex. These rooms had not been completed by our scheduled May 2013 meeting.

Minor issues were found in Jepson 425 related to cleanliness in the room, and of the fish facility in August 2013. A report was sent to Dr. Dianne Baker, and a second inspection found that these problems had been rectified. No facility problems were found in January of 2014.

During the Fall semester, the Chair of the IACUC had received a complaint about activities in BIOL 425 Animal Ecology related to methods used in the class for collection of fish and their subsequent use. Dr. O'Dell investigated the complaint, and found that Dr. Wieland was using appropriate methods as proscribed by the US Department of Fisheries, and had an up to date collection permit. A letter was written to the complainant describing the results of the investigation, and that explanation was accepted, and the matter was resolved.

Dr. Kathryn Loesser announced her retirement from the University as of May 2014, and Dr. O'Dell conferred with the University Faculty Organization Committee for a research scientist replacement. Dr. Werner Wieland volunteered and is now a member.

A total of 17 students were trained during the 2013-2014 Academic year.

One new protocol was submitted and approved.

Respectfully submitted,



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