Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Approve the Minutes from November 26, 2013
3. Update on Astley/O’Neill Meeting with IPMAC
4. Update on C4C’s “A Survey of IP Policies at UW Peer Institutions”
5. Discuss/Finalize Objectives
6. Adjourn

1. Call to Order

Chair Astley called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Approve the Minutes from November 26, 2013

The minutes from November 26, 2013 were approved as written.

3. Update on Astley/O’Neill Meeting with IPMAC

Astley reported that she attended IPMAC’s recent meeting over Winter Break. Sean O-Conner, Chair of IPMAC (Intellectual Property Management Advisory Committee), is open to working with SCIPC on present assignment language and has shared their Catalyst website so SCIPC members can review resources and working documents. Astley reported that SCIPC and IPMAC may have a joint meeting later in the future. Additionally, a suggestion was made to coordinate a town hall-style meeting in order to gather feedback on faculty concerns and issues. SCIPC’s goal is to develop general principles for intellectual property (IP) policy to help guide the language which will be incorporated into code or an Executive Order. In addition, SCIPC will work to narrow down goals to finalize IP language in the Outside Work Form and develop a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) sheet to educate faculty about IP at UW.

O’Neil reported on a recent email from Kelli Trosvig about protecting data generated at UW. While the intent of the email was meant to remind faculty about data protection, concern was raised over language indicating that UW data is owned by the university. Astley will follow up with Trosvig to clarify that UW does not necessarily own faculty data.

4. Update on C4C’s “A Survey of IP Policies at UW Peer Institutions”

Fred Holt (Director of Strategic Initiatives, Center for Commercialization) provided an update on C4C’s survey of peer intuitions. The report is almost finalized and will be sent to Astley and O’Connor shortly. SCIPC will post the report on its public website to assist with the conversation of IP policy. Holt explained that universities have very different methods of managing IP policy. Concern was raised that even if a general consensus was built amongst peer institutions to address IP policy it would not mean it is the correct direction.
The committee discussed SCIPC’s role in advancing faculty interest while developing an ideal environment for innovation. The role of SCIPC is to provide feedback on IP policies from a faculty perspective.

5. Discuss/Finalize SCIPC Objectives

Finalize Outside Work Request Form 1460:
Astley passed out a copy of the current present assignment language as it exists in the Outside Work Request Form 1460 (revised May 2013).
“I agree to assign and I hereby assign to the University all my rights in any intellectual property to which the University has a right of assignment under the Policy, provided I created such intellectual property in the course of my University activities or responsibilities or with more than incidental use of University resources.”
The current language reflects broad assignment. SCIPC will propose narrow assignment (scoped to inventions developed as a consequence to the outside work). O’Neill shared with members that IPMAC had composed new assignment language for Form 1460 with a narrower scope. Astley will obtain this new language for SCIPC’s review at the February 2014 meeting.

Establish IP Principles:
SCIPC will establish IP Principles to guide the establishment/revision of UW IP Policy. SCIPC will start with the 56 Principles presented in the 2014 AAUP Recommended Principles & Practices to Guide Academy-Industry Relationships. These will be reviewed at the Feb 2014 SCIPC meeting.

Compose FAQs
O’Neill and Astley notified the committee that they drafted FAQs and submitted them to IPMAC (Fred Holt) in December 2013. These FAQ drafts will be shared with SCIPC members.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Astley at 5:00 p.m.

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Present: Faculty: Astley (Chair), Jacoby, O’Neill, Shen, Storti
Ex-Officio: McNerney
Invited Guest: Fred Holt

Absent: Faculty: Rubel, Teredesai
President’s Designee: Johnson
Ex-Officio: Miller, Gerrard