

AAHSL Research Enterprise Task Force

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The Research Enterprise Task Force was created in March after the Board held its strategic planning session and decided to revamp the Leading the Way Steering Committee charge, creating two new task forces, one continuing to focus on research and another on core values.

A new charge was written and approved by the Board for the task force:

This task force will continue to work with AAMC GIR and GRAND on next steps and follow up to the “Digital Research Enterprise” summit meeting held in 2011. The task force will work on documents, programming or other activities that are outcomes of the summit. The task force will also consider educational and informational opportunities that could assist members in keeping abreast of research trends, responses to issues, and needed knowledge and skills sets and will work with the Program & Education Committee, as well as other relevant AAHSL groups on these activities.

GIR was hoping to have clarification of its next steps with the summit meeting after its June conference. GIR has recently appointed a task force being led by Ralph Zottola (U Mass) to work on outcomes from the summit, as well as other issues concerning big data that have arisen. GIR has suggested an AAHSL liaison be appointed to this new task force. The spring 2013 GIR meeting will be focusing on research issues.

This task force will meet at the AAMC meeting to review the information from GIR about their activities and develop a plan for working with GIR and discussing AAHSL member needs.

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