Date:          October 30, 2012
From:         Tim Burkink
To:           CBT Faculty

RE:            Revisions to the John Becker Faculty Research Incentive Fund

The *John Becker Faculty Research Incentive Fund* is being revised to provide incentive to publish in journals with quality indicators exceeding what would normally be expected of a CBT faculty member who qualifies for scholarship release. Full-time CBT faculty members are eligible for the incentive. Under the revised program, qualifying faculty will be eligible for a research incentive of $2,000 per article. Co-authors may determine the allocation of the stipend. The faculty member may choose to have the award paid as income (through UNK with taxes withheld) or used for expenses related to professional development (processed through UNK accounts payable).

The intent of this program is to encourage faculty to consider targeting higher quality journals. Faculty will apply to their respective department chair. The chair will make a recommendation to the Dean. The awards will be made at the discretion of the Dean. Faculty members are encouraged to apply before making the journal submission. Faculty members publishing in approved journals will receive the incentive when the article is published.

The application should be a brief, written request and include justification of the high quality of the journal. This justification may include data on journal impact factor scores, rankings of the journal, acceptance rates, and other indicators of high quality. The lead author will submit the application.

The $2,000 incentive is available until further notice for papers, ultimately published in approved journals, which are either currently under review or submitted in the future. Articles currently under review which do not meet the “higher quality” criteria may still be eligible for the $500 professional development stipend offered under the previous *Becker* program. Articles submitted for review after November 1, 2012 will only be eligible for the new program as the previous program will be discontinued.
Application for John Becker Faculty Research Incentive Fund

Please complete the information below and submit to the lead author’s Department Chair

Date of Application:

Applicant(s) (list all CBT authors):
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Article Title:

Journal Title:

Justification of the high quality of the journal (attach additional documentation if desired):

Preferred Form of Payment (check one):

Stipend (taxes withheld): _____

Professional Development Fund: _____

Administrative Approval:

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Department Chair

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Dean

Award Amount: _______________________

Notification of Article Acceptance¹ (date received; copy attached): _____________________________

¹ Payment will be made when the Dean’s Office receives notification of acceptance