

Committee on Research (COR)
Wednesday, November 29, 2017

1:30 – 2:30 PM; [KL 362](#)

Documents available at UCM Box [COR AY 17-18](#)

I. Chair's Report – *David Noelle*

- a. November 16 meeting with CAPRA members
 - i. CAPRA members suggested that COR draft a memo to the Budget Working Group that outlines the crisis situation of faculty who lack bridge funding or are otherwise facing hardship due to a lack of discretionary research funds. CAPRA also suggested sending a joint memo to VCORED Traina with a request for clarification on the current allocation of indirect cost return funds that are earmarked for supporting research activities.
- b. November 27 [Division Council meeting](#)
- c. November 28 [Meeting of the Division](#)

II. Budget Work Group Update – *Michael Scheibner*

- a. November 17 Budget Work Group meeting

III. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of the November 15, 2017 [Meeting Minutes](#)
- b. Approval of the November 29, 2017 Meeting Agenda

IV. Revisions to the [Evaluation Criteria](#) for the Annual Senate Faculty Grants Program

- a. **Background:** At the November 15, 2017 meeting, COR members made several suggestions for revisions to the criteria for the evaluation of Senate faculty grants. The Word version of last year's Call for Proposals – with comments and suggestions made by COR members at the last meeting – can be reviewed [here](#).
- b. **Action:** COR members to finalize the Call for Proposals in hopes of distributing it to the campus faculty before the onset of the Winter break.

V. [Revised Incentive Plan](#) for Revenue Generating Master's Degree Programs

- a. In Spring 2017, Senate committees, including COR, opined on VPDGE Zatz's proposed Incentive Plan for Revenue Generating Master's Degree Programs. [COR's memo](#) communicated the Committee's support for the launching of the program, pending several clarifications and consideration of recommendations. VPDGE Zatz has now submitted a response to Senate comments. COR is asked to review the revised plan and consider the extent to which the revised proposal addresses the Committee's original concerns, as well as identifying any matters that are unresolved.
- b. **Action:** COR to review the VPDGE's response and submit comments to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Thursday, December 21.

VI. Upcoming Business

- a. Completing Sierra Nevada Research Institute (SNRI) Review Process
- b. December 13 meeting
 - i. External Review of the Center for the Humanities
 - ii. Draft a Conflict of Interest statement like those of [other Senate committees](#)