COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH (COR)
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024
1:30 – 3:00 PM

I.   Chair's Report – *Chair Ye*   **1:30 – 1:45**
     A. October 21 and November 4 Divisional Council meetings
     B. October 30 Shared Governance Retreat

II.   Consent Calendar
     A. Today's agenda
     B. Draft October 16, 2024 meeting minutes

     Action requested: Approval of the Consent Calendar

III.   Consultation with VCR Wilson   **1:45 – 2:00**
- Shared Governance Retreat Debrief (joint VCR/CoR Chair)
- Principal Manager, Shared Core Research Facilities
- ORED Strategic Planning Exercise
- Field Education and Research Center (FERC)
- Upcoming ORED Proof of Concept fund competition
- NSF GRANTED proposal (post-award research administration)

IV.   Consultation with EVC/Provost Dumont   **2:00 – 2:20**

Prior to this meeting, the following questions were submitted to EVC/Provost Dumont:

- What does the EVC/Provost see as her role in advancing the campus research mission? There are various things that impact research, such as enrollment and faculty hiring (especially replacement hires).
- How can CoR help the EVC/Provost to sustain research?

V.   Periodic Review Oversight Committee (PROC) Updates – *Member Joyce* **2:20 – 2:25**
October 21 PROC meeting updates

VI.   AY 24-25 Senate Faculty Grants Annual Call for Proposals   **2:25 – 3:00**
- The draft call is available here.
- Last year's rubric for evaluating proposals is here.

Per the discussion in the previous meeting, Chair Ye is consulting with the Senate Chair, Divisional Council, and the administration on the allocation of the final $100,000 in MacKenzie Scott funds. Chair Ye will provide an update at today's CoR meeting.

CoR members will continue their previous discussion on revising the annual call for proposals. Last year, CoR members suggested the following revisions for the AY 24-25 call:
- Should CoR add language to the call that summarizes its evaluation rubric?
- Should CoR add a table of last year's winners with the number of years since they were last awarded so potential applicants can see the likelihood of being funded?
- Should CoR revise the evaluation rubric to rank the "reasonableness" of the proposals' budgets? Last year's CoR suggested there is a difference between "need" and the "reasonable" nature of budget requests.
- Should the application form on the last page of the call for proposals include checkboxes for seed funding and bridge funding and should PIs be required to check one?

Action: CoR will revise the annual call for proposals for the Senate faculty grants program. The call will be issued to Senate faculty in mid-November.

VII.   Upcoming Business
- Future guests at CoR meetings:
    - November 13 VC & CFO Schnier and VPDGE Hratchian
    - December 4 VC Klotzbier and staff