COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH (COR)

Monday, December 6, 2021

2:30 – 4:00 pm

Zoom

Documents available at: UCM Box CoR AY 21-22

- I. Chair's Report *Chair Sexton* [2:30 2:40]
 - A. Divisional Council updates
- II. Consent Calendar
 - A. Today's agenda
 - B. Draft November 15 meeting minutes

Action requested: approval of the Consent Calendar

- III. Consultation with Interim VCORED Zatz [2:40 2:50]
 - A. Update on effort to become an Ag Extension Station campus
 - B. BSL-3 certification and faculty & staff training
 - C. Update on Faculty Strategic Initiative (grant writing workshops)
 - D. Update on staffing (research administration and animal care)
- IV. Faculty-Graduate Student Conflict Resolution Infrastructure Work Group Proposed Process
 [2:50 3:20]

At the request of Divisional Council, the Senate-Administration joint workgroup has created a conflict resolution infrastructure to help students, faculty, and administrators successfully navigate and resolve conflicts between graduate students and their advisors. This process is available at the above link. It does not apply to cases involving allegations of sexual harassment or misconduct, which follow a separate and established policy and process.

CoR is asked to review the proposed process and consider the following questions:

- Part of this infrastructure includes advice on how to maintain healthy professional relationships between faculty and grad students. Do you have any suggested edits or additions to this advice?
- Another part of the infrastructure is a recommended process designed to provide resources for working through conflicts without escalation if possible. It is necessarily broad to capture different possible practices in different situations. The recommendations are flexible by nature but remain consistent with campus-wide policies and rights of students and faculty. Are there specific concerns from your committees' perspectives?

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• Any other observations/comments/concerns?

Comments received from CoR members are available here.

Action: CoR to review the proposed process and send its comments to the Graduate Council and the Graduate Division before December 14.

- V. Discussion of Comments on Centers Policy [3:20 3:30]
 On October 28, 2021, CoR's proposed, revised Centers policy was transmitted to the administration for review. Comments from Chancellor Muñoz and EVC/Provost Camfield and Interim CFO Schnier are available here.
- VI. Discussion of Comments on the Proposed Campus Research Safety Committee Charge [3:30 3:40]
 One comment from a Divisional Council member was received and is available here.
- VII. Discussion of Chancellor and EVC/Provost's Response to CoR/FWAF/GC Memo on Research Obstacles [3:40 – 3:50] The response is available here.
- VIII. Other Business [3:50 4:00]