

**COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH (COR)****Wednesday, February 7, 2024****1:00 – 2:05 pm**

- I. Consent Calendar **1:00 – 1:05**  
A. Today's agenda  
B. Draft January 24 meeting minutes

**Action requested:** Approval of the Consent Calendar

- II. Consultation with VCR Wilson **1:05 – 1:15**  
Update on Financial Management and Reporting Task Force

- III. Results of Core Facilities Survey – *Chair Ye* **1:15 – 1:35**  
Responses available here.

**Action:** CoR will discuss the next steps, such as providing an executive summary, studying issues identified in the survey, and proposing potential solutions to the administration.

- IV. Systemwide Review Item – *Andrea Merg* **1:35 – 1:50**  
A. Proposed revisions to Presidential Policy BFB-BUS-50: Controlled Substances Use in Research and Teaching
- The proposed revisions and the explanatory cover letter from UCOP are available here.
  - The lead reviewer's comments are available here.

**Action:** CoR will discuss the policy and the lead reviewer's comments. CoR's comments are due to the Senate Chair by Monday, February 26.

- V. Executive Session **1:50 – 2:00**

**Voting members only**

Topic: CoR members' questions or concerns about reviewer assignments or process for the Senate faculty research grants.

Per the emails sent by the committee analyst, completed reviews are due to the committee analyst by 10:00 am on Friday, March 1. CoR will conduct a final discussion and ranking at the March 6 CoR meeting. **The March 6 CoR meeting will be devoted to finalizing the grants and selecting awardees. This meeting will be held under executive session for voting members only. Those CoR members with conflicts of interest will recuse from the March 6 meeting. Award and decline letters will be issued by mid-March.**

- VI. Campus Review Item - *Vice Chair Cobian* **2:00 – 2:05**

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- A. Interim Implementing Procedures for Abusive Conduct in the Workplace  
Procedures are available here.

The Campus Implementing Procedures are intended to implement and supplement the **University of California Policy on Abusive Conduct in the Workplace** (“Abusive Conduct Policy” or “UC Policy”), which became effective January 1, 2023. The systemwide Abusive Conduct Policy and the CIP replace UC Merced’s previous *Policy on Prohibition of Abusive Conduct and Acts of Violence by University Employees and Non-Affiliates*, which was rescinded on January 1, 2023. All campuses are required to develop procedures and supplementary information to support the implementation of the Abusive Conduct Policy (see Abusive Conduct Policy, Section IV.A)

**Action:** CoR will select a lead reviewer. The lead reviewer’s comments will be discussed at the February 21 meeting. CoR’s final comments are due to the Senate Chair by Friday, March 1.

VII. Upcoming Business

The Senate Office will soon issue a Call for Nominations to faculty for the annual Senate awards. CoR is responsible for reviewing the nominations for the awards for Distinguished Early Career Research ( untenured) and Distinction in Research (tenured). AY 22-23 awardees are listed here.

**Please note: Once nominations are received, and per the call for nominations, the committee analyst will propose the formation of two award subcommittees from the CoR membership to review the nominations in each category.** The winners of all Senate awards will be announced at the Spring Meeting of the Division in May 2024.