

COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH (COR)**Friday, June 26, 2020****3:00 – 4:00 pm****Zoom**<https://ucmerced.zoom.us/j/2092284369>**Phone: 1-669-900-6833, Meeting ID 209 228 4369****Documents available at: UCM Box [“COR AY 19-20”](#)**

- I. Update from Interim VCORED Zatz **(3:00 – 3:10)**
[Updates on proposals and awards process.](#)
- II. COVID-19 Impacts on Research – *Chair Scheibner* **(3:10 – 3:45)**
Discussion: need for additional research funds and other measures that would help the campus research enterprise re-emerge from the pandemic crisis.

Some needs may have arisen from:

- PIs having spent their grant funds to keep their graduate students employed (but with reduced or zero productivity), and now needing additional funds to remain operational.
- Special needs to restart faculty research work after the shut down. For example, equipment may need repair after sitting unused for months, extra expenses due to materials/supplies deteriorating, etc.
- Travel restrictions. For example: access to user facilities may have resulted in and may continue to result in lost measurement time, lost samples/materials, lost training for students, etc.
- The need to shift more work remote. Research groups that traditionally conduct their work on campus may need support to adapt.
- Special hardship. For example, some faculty may have to completely realign their research (at least for the time being), or some research team may have been directly and severely affected by COVID-19.

- III. Update on CoR Chair’s meeting with APAPB Schnier – *Chair Scheibner* **(3:45 – 3:55)**
CoR Chair Scheibner held a discussion with APAPB Kurt Schnier on the request for an increase of the funds to the Senate faculty grants program/research enhancement proposal.
- IV. Chair’s Report **(3:55 – 4:00)**
 - A. UCORP meeting June 8
 - B. Division Council meetings