## COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH (COR) Monday, September 28, 2020 10:00 – 11:30 am Zoom

Documents available at: UCM Box CoR AY 20-21

- I. Consultation with AVC for Research Compliance & Integrity Debbie Motton 10:00 10:25
  - A. Updates on contracts and grants
    - Centralization of School personnel into the Office of Research & Economic Development (ORED).
- II. Chair's Report Kara McCloskey

10:25 - 10:35

- A. Updates from September 25 Divisional Council meeting
- B. Upcoming meeting with the CoR Chair, EVC/Provost, Senate Chair, and Interim VCORED re: CoR's memos regarding increased funding for the Senate Faculty Grants program and the impacts of COVID-19 on research productivity. The 2021 draft Call for Proposals for the Senate faculty grants program is available here.
- C. Core facilities survey.

In the last CoR meeting, CoR members and interim VCORED Zatz briefly discussed the idea of a survey to ascertain faculty needs with regards to core facilities.

**Discussion:** possible next steps: CoR members draft survey questions and ORED creates and launches the survey.

III. Consultation with Interim VCORED – *Marjorie Zatz* 

10:35 - 11:00

- A. CoR's request to empanel a working group comprised of CoR members, SPO,
  Research Administrators. (Only SNRI and HSRIs have their own RAs; the rest have been centralized under ORED.)
- B. Formation of an instrumentation limited submissions review committee.
- C. Fully reporting research expenditures
- D. UC-Cyber Risk Working Group
- IV. Consent Calendar
  - A. Today's agenda
  - B. September 14 draft meeting minutes

Action requested: approval of the Consent Calendar

V. Campus Review Item

11:00 - 11:10

Proposal for change of name of academic department: from "Chemistry and Chemical Biology" to "Chemistry and Biochemistry".

**Action:** CoR to identify a lead reviewer. The lead reviewer's comments will be discussed at the October 19 meeting. CoR's final comments are due to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Thursday, October 29.

VI. Consultation with Lead Author of ORU Proposal – *Professor Ed Flores* 11:10 – 11:30 UC Merced Community and Labor Center

A proposal was submitted in April 2020 by a group of faculty in SSHA to establish the UC Merced Community and Labor Center as an ORU. The proposal is available here. The Senate's updated policy on the establishment of ORUs is here.

At the September 14 meeting, CoR identified two lead reviewers.

**Discussion:** Professor Flores will answer questions about the UC Merced Community and Labor Center ORU proposal.