

Committee on Research (CoR)
Minutes of Meeting
March 11, 2021

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Research met at 1:00 – 2:30 pm on March 11, 2021, via Zoom. Chair Kara McCloskey presiding.

- I. Chair's Report – *Kara McCloskey*
 - A. March 8 UCORP meeting

The major topics of discussion included:

 - i. UC ANR and how to promote them so more faculty are aware.
 - ii. Animal researchers at some UC campuses are being targeted for harassment. UCORP wants to be proactive in protecting them rather than reactive.
 - iii. Proposed Presidential Policy BFB-BUS-43 Purchases of Goods and Services; Supply Chain Management. CoR submitted its memo to the Senate Chair on February 16. Chair McCloskey recently retracted that memo and submitted a new memo that described various concerns about the potential for the details in the policy to slow down faculty research. Divisional Council will discuss this policy and Senate committees' comments at their meeting tomorrow.
 - iv. UCORP will categorize the UC's multicampus research units (MRUs) to determine which need to be reviewed.
- II. Consultation with Interim VCORED Zatz
 - A. Update on occupational health (primarily for faculty working with animals).

UC Davis was previously handling UCM and UCSC's occupational health cases. Davis cannot continue doing so due to staff shortages caused by the pandemic. Interim VCORED Zatz is working with UCM EH&S to locate a provider so that the campus can handle its own occupational health cases. Zatz discovered that the campus has not had reviews for occupational health in a long time and some cases were not closed. However, she emphasized that the campus is still compliant and not in violation of policy.
 - B. Limited Submissions. Interim VCORED Zatz would like to create a standing review committee. The goal is to have a sufficient number of committee members so each individual does not have too many reviews to do. This will speed up reviews because so much time is spent by Interim VCORED Zatz finding reviewers without conflicts. CoR members suggested that the standing committee be comprised of three faculty members per School. Interim VCORED Zatz agreed.

Action: Interim VCORED Zatz will make a formal request to CoC for Senate faculty representatives.

- C. Limited Submission process. Interim VCORED Zatz is developing website where ORED can list anticipated Limited Submission solicitations and faculty can self-identify that they intend to apply (hopefully increasing collaboration).
- III. Consent Calendar
- A. Today's agenda
 - B. Approval of draft minutes from the February 25 meeting.

Action: the Consent Calendar was approved as presented.

- IV. Campus Review Items
- A. Proposal for a Major in Writing Studies

Action: CoR members will discuss the lead reviewer's comments via email. CoR's memo will be transmitted to the Senate Chair by Wednesday, March 31.

- B. MAPP 500

This proposed, new MAPP section pertains to recruitment and would supersede MAPP 2012, 2052, 3022, 3032, 3052, 3062, 3072, 3092, 3102, and 4012.

CoR members agreed that the committee should review this proposed new MAPP section. A lead reviewer was identified.

Action: CoR will discuss the lead reviewer's comments via email. CoR's memo will be transmitted to the Senate Chair by Wednesday, March 31.

- V. Systemwide Review Items
- A. Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures (The "Gold Book")
These are proposed changes to the Universitywide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures, which are applicable to UC Peace Officers: "Use of Force" policy, "Body Worn Video" policy, "Systemwide Response Teams" policy, and the "Concealed Carry Weapons" policy.

CoR members discussed the lead reviewer's comments and had no additional input.

Action: CoR's memo will be transmitted to the Senate Chair after today's meeting.

B. Presidential Policy on Classification of Gifts and Sponsored Awards

This policy is intended to replace the UC Policy on Review of Gifts and Grants for Research. The UC has seen a significant increase in external support in the recent decade – especially from private foundations (including family foundations) and corporations. Though key concepts remain the same, the proposed policy provides greater clarity for properly classifying private support in contemporary circumstances.

CoR identified a lead reviewer.

Action: CoR will discuss the lead reviewer's comments at the April 1 CoR meeting. CoR's comments are due to the Senate Chair by Monday, April 12.

C. Proposed Presidential Policy on Native American Cultural Affiliation and Repatriation

The Academic Senate opined on two earlier versions of this policy on November 8, 2019 and June 29, 2020. CoR's spring 2020 memo was hyperlinked on today's meeting agenda.

On July 24, 2020, President Napolitano issued the Policy as interim in order to allow tribes additional time for review due to the COVID-19 pandemic. At that time, the comment period was extended through November 15, 2020, with the intention that UC would issue a final updated Policy by December 31, 2020. On September 29, 2020, AB 275 which made substantial changes to the CalNAGPRA was signed into law, effective January 1, 2021. The prevailing concern communicated by the responding tribes and the California Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) during the extended comment period was that the Interim Policy did not reflect these new requirements. Respondents urged UC not to implement a final Policy by December 31, 2020, but rather to delay issuance and allocate additional time to ensure that AB 275 could be fully incorporated into the Policy. This revised Policy now incorporates AB 275 requirements.

CoR identified a lead reviewer.

Action: CoR to discuss the lead reviewer's comments at the April 1 CoR meeting. CoR's comments are due to the Senate Chair by Monday, April 5.

D. Proposed Amendments to Senate Regulation 610

Proposed by the University Committee on Educational Policy, the intent of the revision is to eliminate an ambiguity in the definition of “residency” to clarify that “residency” is not necessarily linked to physical presence on campus.

CoR members agreed that the committee does not need to review this item.

Action: The committee analyst will inform the Senate Chair that CoR declines to opine on this item.

VI. CoR Award Subcommittees

Nominations for the annual Senate awards have been received. CoR is responsible for reviewing the nominations for the Distinction in Research award and Early Career Research award. The names of the winners will be announced at the May 4 Meeting of the Division.

Prior to this meeting, CoR members were asked to review the two suggested award subcommittee memberships.

Action: CoR approved both award subcommittee memberships. The committee analyst will provide the subcommittee memberships with the nomination packages and instructions for review. Both award subcommittees must select a winner by Thursday, April 1.

VII. Executive Session – voting members only

The executive session was not held in today’s meeting. CoR members will discuss the relevant topic via email.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Attest: Kara McCloskey, CoR chair