

**Committee on Research (CoR)**  
**Minutes of Meeting**  
**April 18, 2022**

Pursuant to call, the Committee on Research met at 10:30 am – 12:00 pm on April 18, 2022 via Zoom. Chair Jason Sexton presiding.

- I. Chair's Report – *Chair Sexton*
  - A. April 7 Divisional Council meeting
    - Systemwide Review of the proposed Presidential Policy on University of California Research Data. Divisional Council discussed the comments submitted by Senate committees. Two of the major concerns were the policy's lack of flexibility with regard to team science and the amount of authority invested in campus VCRs.
    - Proposed memorial to the Regents about the climate crisis.
    - Divisional Council endorsed the proposal to establish a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering.
  - B. April 11 UCORP meeting
    - Discussion about the unionization of GSRs. UCORP members are supportive of higher pay for GSRs but are concerned that the unionization may alter the mentor/mentee relationship to an employer/employee relationship.
    - Discussion of an external review of UC ANR.
    - Discussion of the proposed Presidential Policy on University of California Research Data. Some UCORP members believe that the policy should recognize the different practices in different fields of study. UCORP members also recommended that the policy's FAQ should include more information on how faculty store data. In addition, the policy is still unclear what happens to faculty's data when they separate from a UC campus.
  - C. The CoR Award Subcommittee for Early Career Research and the CoR Award Subcommittee for Distinction in Research completed their review of the nominations and identified award winners. The names of the winners of all Senate awards will be announced at the May 12 Meeting of the Division and will be posted on the Senate's website shortly thereafter. Chair Sexton thanked both award subcommittees for their work.
  - D. Divisional Council members suggested additional edits to CoR's research infrastructure memo addressed to the Chancellor and the EVC/Provost in response to their comments on CoR/FWAF/GC's original memo in fall 2021. The Senate Chair is currently revising the memo.

- II. Consultation with Interim VCORED Zatz
  - A. Research Data Protection Workgroup

The workgroup requests CoR's input on how to obtain faculty input on keeping their data secure (e.g. survey or interviews).

Interim VCORED Zatz informed CoR members that the workgroup has doubts whether a survey is the best option and instead is considering holding focus groups across the campus. A CoR member suggested that IT hold training sessions for faculty members. Interim VCORED Zatz replied that IT members serve on the workgroup already, but she will convey that feedback to them. Another CoR member suggested that the workgroup issue a short survey to faculty members that only asks what types of data they use that they need to keep secured.
  - B. The search for a new VCORED is ongoing.
  - C. Interim VCORED Zatz will transmit to the Senate a proposal to establish a greenhouse core facility proposal. Per prior meeting discussion, the proposal was drafted in accordance with the Senate's core facility policy.

- III. Consent Calendar
  - A. Today's agenda
  - B. Draft March 28 meeting minutes

**Action:** the Consent Calendar was approved as presented.

- IV. Systemwide Review Item
  - A. Presidential Policy on Affiliations with Certain Healthcare Organizations

An Interim Presidential policy was issued in September 2021 to implement Regents Policy 4405. The Office of the President is now soliciting feedback to finalize the Presidential Policy.

The lead reviewer's comments were hyperlinked on today's agenda.

CoR members supported the lead reviewer's comments. Some CoR members suggested that the committee seek input from HSRI.

**Action:** the committee analyst will share the proposed policy with the faculty director of HSRI and ask for her feedback. Her feedback, together with CoR's comments, will be transmitted to the Senate Chair by Friday, April 29.

V. Executive Session

A. Revised pre-proposal for the establishment of the Ernest and Julio Gallo School of Management at UC Merced

Background documents:

- Cover letter from Professor Maglio
- Revised pre-proposal
- Gallo School Planning Team’s response to comments on the original version of the pre-proposal
- Administrative reviews
- Policy for the Establishment of New School and Colleges
- Original agreement between the Gallo Family Foundation and the University concerning their endowment of the Gallo School
- 2021 Senate comments

No minutes were recorded.

**Action:** CoR’s memo on the Gallo School pre-proposal will be transmitted to Senate Vice Chair Patti LiWang by the deadline of Monday, May 2.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Attest: Jason Sexton, CoR Chair