Communication from the Task Force Reviewing Recommendations of the Joint Academic Senate/UCOP Workgroup on Recycling Multicampus Research Unit Funds
Warren Gold, MD, Chair

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RE: Suggestions for Divisional Response to the Recommendations of the Joint Academic Senate/UCOP Workgroup on Recycling Multicampus Research Unit Funds

Dear Chair Greenspan,

The Task Force Reviewing and Recommending Comment to the Recommendations of the Joint Academic Senate/UCOP Workgroup on Recycling Multicampus Research Unit Funds, consisting of one Member of the Committee on Academic Planning and Budget (Chair), one Member of the Committee on Research, and one Member of the Graduate Council, met on November 6, 2006 to review these recommendations and to suggest a possible response from the San Francisco Division.

The Task Force specifically recognizes the benefit and necessity of implementing a regular review process for Multicampus Research Units and of creating an advisory body to the UC Office of Research, and the Task Force fully supports both. After thorough review and discussion of the recommendations of the Joint Academic Senate/UCOP Workgroup on Recycling Multicampus Research Unit Funds, this Task Force recommends that the San Francisco Division offer its support to these recommendations.

Additionally, the Task Force offers for discussion the question: Is there room in the current process for competing groups in the same field to apply competitively for MRU status and funding?

Sincerely,

The Task Force Reviewing and Recommending Comment to the Recommendations of the Joint Academic Senate/UCOP Workgroup on Recycling Multicampus Research Unit Funds
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