The Committee on Research was called to order by Chair Henry on December 13, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in room S-30. A quorum was present.

**Chair’s Announcements**
Chair Henry did not have anything to update the committee on.

COR Member Ralph Marcucio will provide an update on matters being handled at the Systemwide UCORP at a later date.

**Approval of Minutes**
The minutes of the October 13, 2010 meeting were approved. They will be posted to the Senate website by the Academic Senate office.

**Discussion: RAP**
**Decisions for Fall 2010 Funding Cycle**
COR voted to award 7 grants totaling $219,996.

Members also developed a list of 23 grants that they would be comfortable to have funded overall, although the Senate didn’t have the funds to grant all of them.

Chair Henry and Analyst Cleaver will take these results to the RAP Funding Agencies Meeting on December 16, 2010. Award letters and denial letters will be sent out to the recipients in January 2011.

**General Discussion of RAP**
COR Members who sat on RAP committees discussed their experience. Members raised questions of bias in scoring and “toughness” or discrepancies in scoring between funding meetings—that is if each review committee was valuing the scoring system in the same way. Members discussed the balance between funding quality research and the issues of the endowment funding.

Members discussed a preliminary cut-off score of 3.6, although they will look at grants beyond that if they are so inclined. They discussed exploring grants that fit an Academic Senate endowment fund and
examined several beyond the cut-off to see if they might be included. Ultimately the cut-off of 3.6 remained accurate overall.

**Old Business**
None.

**New Business**
None.

Chair Henry adjourned the meeting at 12:00pm.

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