Committee on Research
Judith Moskowitz, PhD, MPH, Chair

MINUTES
Monday, June 18, 2012

PRESENT: J. Moskowitz (Chair), S. Nagarajan (Vice Chair), L. Dunn, J. Hahn, S. Ho, C. Kaplan, K. Lee, J. Myers, V. Singh, D. Xu


GUESTS: L. Cripps, Assist Controller, Strategic Projects

The Committee on Research was called to order by Chair Moskowitz on June 18, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in room S-30. A quorum was present.

Chair’s Announcements
Chair Moskowitz updated members on the final RAP Spring 2012 Committee on Research grant funding numbers. Overall, COR funded 18 faculty grants for a combined total of $654K and 1 student Pathways grant ($28K). The Pathways grant will be administered by the SOM Dean’s Office with half being distributed by June 30, 2012 and the second half in 2013 if the student has met the halfway markers. The other grants will be distributed in August 2012.

Separately, Chair Moskowitz and Vice Chair Nagarajan are meeting with Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost J. Bluestone in August 2012 to discuss alternative uses for any excess Senate’s endowment funds.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the May 21, 2012 meeting were approved. They will be posted to the Senate website by the Academic Senate office.

Presentation by Nominators of Faculty Research Lecture Nominees
Committee members heard presentations from nominating faculty of Faculty Research Lecture Nominees (2012-2013).

Deliberation on Faculty Research Lecture Nominees
Committee members voted to award the 2012-2013 FRL honors to the following faculty:

Bruce Miller, Neurology
Faculty Research Lecture: Clinical Science (Fall 2012)

John Rubenstein, Psychiatry
Faculty Research Lecture: Basic Science (Winter 2013)
Lori Cripps provided an update on the current status of the PI Portfolio program. This is part of the financial changes involved with Operational Excellence. Originally designed for sponsored research, it provides a snapshot of a faculty member’s financial portfolio and is reached through MyAccess. It goes live in 2014 and has been in development for about two years.

There is no cost to the departments for this program.

Included in the program are projection and forecasting tools. The goal is to reduce departmental systems and tools and move to a universal program/system.

The Pilot program began in January 2012 with 28 users in 15 departments. Improvements are ongoing many based on feedback from current users. A redesign is underway to improve functionality and usability with the ultimate goal of increasing user adoption. Part of the redesign is to allow non-sponsored researching including gifts, etc., to be included in the PI Portfolio.

The Pilot goes through August 2012. Training aids will be both through PI Portfolio and through the Controller’s page. http://controller.ucsf.edu/finance3/. Training will be needed for the forecasting tool but nothing else.

The program charts can be downloaded as either a PDF or into Excel or as an CSV file.

**Old Business**
COR requested Senate Analyst Cleaver contact Associate Vice Chancellor, Research, Susanne Hildebrand-Zanki to request an update in Fall 2012 on the Clinical Research Initiative based off of the committee’s questions. This update will also address concerns heard and discussed by the Committee on Academic Freedom, with contributions from COR member S. Gansky.

**New Business**
COR members raised the question of which faculty get to submit for limited submissions grants. Chair Moskowitz recommended an ad hoc committee could address that at a campus level, but some of the issues may rest at a departmental level.

Chair Moskowitz adjourned the meeting at 12:25pm.

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