The Committee on Research was called to order by Chair Nagarajan on October 15, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in room N-617. A quorum was present at 10:10 am.

Chair’s Announcements
Chair Nagarajan discussed the RAP review process. He inquired about specific review criteria for specific grants. While NIH standards have been the primary ones RAP has reviewed grants off of, Chair Nagarajan wondered if there should be more specific criteria. Analyst Cleaver will circulate the grants COR is responsible for funding, along with the criteria.

Separately, Senate Chair Newcomer has asked COR to comment on the new Space Planning Initiative rolling out in January 2013. Bruce Wintroub will be presenting on this at the November 2012 meeting.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the September 10, 2012 meeting were approved with a correction to attendance. They will be posted to the Senate website by the Academic Senate office.

Implementation of Open Access Policy at UCSF
Rich Schneider, Chair, Committee on Library & Scholarly Communication went over the policy voted into effect in May 2012. He advised on workflow challenges that have arisen since. The largest—which is in progress—has been the inability of eScholarship.com to handle the volume of papers faculty will deposit. However because that was known at the start of this process, the articles have been stored until they’re able to be uploaded to the site.

After four months, only 92 faculty have requested waivers, with most of those publications being related to Nature Publishing or PNAS or Elsevier. As UCSF publishes 12% of all annually published articles in Nature, it’s no surprise that this publishing group has the largest volume of waiver requests.

Research Advisory Board (RAB)
RAB Co-chairs, Bill Seaman and Dan Lowenstein, provided an overview of issues handled by the Research Advisory Board. Around since 2005, the board serves as in an advisory capacity to the EVC&P and their team. It was originally designed to be a compliant-processing board but morphed into its
present capacity shortly after creation. Both administration and research administrators along with faculty sit on RAB. Recent topics explored by RAB include:

- Space planning initiative
- Indirect waivers
- FTE usage (cross-departmental guidelines)
- Recruitment and retention
- International/global health studies
- UCOP policies
- APeX
- CTSI
- Industrial research
- Multidisciplinary research
- Bio repository
- UCSF finances
- PI Portfolio
- Clinical Research Initiative

Co-chairs Seaman and Lowenstein provided a brief overview of the space planning initiative that COR will be hearing a presentation on in November 2012.

COR members suggested Department Chairs support faculty participating in either RAB or COR as part of university service. Chair Nagarajan also requested RAB continue to engage on Operational Excellence to insure that all the implementation issues are resolved.

COR members look forward to stronger communication between the two groups.

**Old Business**
None.

**New Business**
COR members requested an update from David Odato on HR Operational Excellence changes. They'd like to have both a Q&A session and to discuss in particular some of the unintended consequences of HR OE changes on faculty. Of note was the charge for employees—including summer student employees and temp employees—which can sometimes run as high as $1,500, regardless of the short duration of their employment.

Chair Nagarajan adjourned the meeting at 12:05pm.