Committee on Research
Srikantan Nagarajan, PhD, Chair

MINUTES
Monday, September 16, 2013

PRESENT: S. Nagarajan (Chair), J. Myers (Vice Chair), K. Bibbins-Domingo, A. Carrico, S. Chapman, D. Fried, S. Gansky, J. Gross, J. Hahn, D. Hudson, S. Massa, E. Murphy, J. Myers, M. Springer


GUESTS: Keith Yamamoto, Vice Chancellor, Research

The Committee on Research was called to order by Chair Nagarajan on September 16, 2013 at 10:12 am in room CL-221. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the June 17, 2013 meeting were approved. They will be posted to the Senate website by the Academic Senate office. Members requested discussions be made more general and attributions reduced.

Chair's Announcements
Chair Nagarajan did introductions and went over the charge to the committee, which includes:

- Being called upon to serve on one or two subcommittees throughout the year.
- Being asked to participate in Limited Submission Opportunities through the Research Development Office (RDO) as facilitated by Gail Fischer.
- Selection of three Faculty Research Lecturers in spring, who will give lectures in 2014-2015

Business carried over from 2012-2013 includes:

- Mission Bay Academic Building
- Ongoing changes to Research Allocation Program (RAP) involving Hardship Grants

New COR Representative Needed
Committee on Sponsored Research – COR Vice Chair Janet Myers rotated off of the Committee on Sponsored Research and AVC Hildebrand-Zanki has requested a new COR representative. Vice Chair Myers explained about the committee and its purpose. Meeting is at Parnassus at 9am on Wednesdays.

State of Research and Research Culture at UCSF – Keith Yamamoto, Vice Chancellor, Research VC Yamamoto provided an overview of the current status of research at UCSF. (Attachment 2)
He highlighted the positive aspects—research has so rapidly changed that it now leads to big changes in how we teach and research. He also mentioned the negative aspects—loss of control over things like NIH budget and the impact of that on UCSF.

He discussed Campuswide initiatives to discuss and spur creative scientific thinking, and through which may result in a change in the research culture.

He provided an overview of key offices at UCSF to enable research: ITA, RDO, and the Federal Government Relations Office based on DC. This office with UCSF’s RDO has been developing a survey to show Capital Hill the impact of the sequester on UCSF researcher. Analyst Cleaver will contact Jennifer Wickre in that office to coordinate a presentation to COR.

For more information please see VC Yamamoto’s presentation under Attachment 2.

**Agenda Items for the Upcoming Year**

- UCSF 2.0 (phases II and III) forthcoming in 2014
  - Phase I is complete. Phases II and III will involve workshops comprised of UCSF employees (staff/faculty) and students who participated in phase I.

- Space Planning including the implementation of a standard policy to encompass all of the UCSF campuses. Issue seems to be lack of practical planning plus lack of oversight of plan implementation.
  - Moving forward, departments will have to provide information on actual space allocation and plans for future use. Space not utilized will have to
  - Hopefully those faculty who produce less research funding (based on their research field) could be absorbed into facilities with faculty who have robust funding.
  - The Senate and COR will continue to monitor this topic throughout the year.

**Old Business**

Analyst Cleaver encouraged members to review the COR Annual Report 2012-2013.

**New Business**

None

Chair Nagarjan adjourned the meeting at 12:00 pm.

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