

Meeting Date: February 17, 2009

Meeting Venue: Room 286, Holmstedt Hall

Meeting Time: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Members Present: S. Arvin (Secretary), A. Chandrasekaran, R. Fitch, C. Klarner (Chair), M. Miller, T. Nesser, N. Nichols-Pethick, D. Polizzi

Absent: L. Cutter

Executive Liaison: J. Fine

Ex-Officio: D. Underwood

The URC minutes of December 4, 2008 were approved. (RF/MM 7-0-0)

The following resolution was addressed:

In the section "Nature of the Grants" in the UNIVERSITY RESEARCH COMMITTEE GRANTS INFORMATION AND APPLICATION GUIDELINES after the wording "The Committee will not consider proposals for," insert the wording "Projects submitted by faculty members who have resigned from the URC in the academic year of the grant application" at the end of the bulleted list.

A motion to approve the resolution passed. (CK/DP 8/0/0) Klarner was instructed to report this to Faculty Senate Executive.

URC members discussed Senate Charge #5 "*Make recommendations regarding the domain of responsibility held by URC.*" Some editing of the proposed report to the Faculty Senate occurred. No major revisions were incorporated. The process of the report through the Senate was queried. Fine said that the report may go to Senate Exec. She was unsure whether it would also go to the Senate.

The motion to send the Report on Senate Charge #5 "*Make recommendations regarding the domain of responsibility held by URC*" to the Faculty Senate was approved (RF/MM 8/0/0)

Committee members discussed possible changes to future URC procedures. Discussion included the potential ramifications of making proposal authors anonymous to URC and of limiting the length of submitted author curriculum vitae. Some URC members stated their preference to receive no print copies of proposals. The necessity of printed copies was debated.

URC Guidelines state that the Office of Sponsored Programs should send a copy of proposals to the Office of Academic Affairs. Underwood stated that this procedure has not been performed for years. A motion was presented to allow the Secretary to make appropriate changes to the wording of the Guidelines. (8-0-0)

Spring proposals were discussed and funding was decided.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM