Description of Charge
The Committee on Research (COR) is a University Academic Senate (UAS) committee. Its charge is listed on page 13 of the UAS Statutes.
(http://www.marquette.edu/acad/documents/StatutesoftheUniversityAcademicSenateupdatedSept222009_002.pdf)

2011-2012 Officers and Members:
Voting Members:
Doug Lobner (College of Health Sciences: Biomedical Sciences), Chair
Arthur Hefti (School of Dentistry), Vice Chair
William Pink (College of Education: Educational Policy & Leadership), Recording Secretary
David Clark (College of Business Administration: Economics)
Richard Friman (College of Arts & Sciences: Political Science)
Tom Jablonsky (College of Arts & Sciences: History) Fall only
Tim McMahon (College of Arts & Sciences: History) Spring only
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David Papke (Law School)
Rajendra Rathore (College of Arts & Sciences: Chemistry)
Eric Ugland (College of Communication: Broadcast & Electronic Media)
Marianne Weiss (College of Nursing)

Non-Voting Members:
Vice Provost for Research: Jeanne Hossenlopp
Director of ORSP: Kathy Durben

Guest Members:
Timothy Melchert (Assistant Vice Provost for Graduate Programs, Graduate School)
Ben Kennedy (Research Compliance Officer – Human Subjects/Radiation Safety, ORC)
Austin Fritsch (Research Compliance Officer – Animal Subjects, ORC)

Summary:
During the 2011-2012 academic year, the COR reviewed:
- 54 SFF / RRG applications
- 4 Haggerty Award for Excellence in Research nominations
- 13 Way Klingler Young Scholar Award and 12 Way Klingler Fellowship nominations.

The following sections include a description of the 2011-2012 activities of the COR.

Recurrent Tasks
Review and Selection of Research Awardees:
1. Summer Faculty Fellowship/Regular Research Grant (SFF/RRG) Awards.

Both mechanisms help faculty initiate or reprogram research. They are important also for sustainably growing Marquette University’s research enterprise. Applications were reviewed by three panels with expertise in 1) natural, physical and applied sciences, 2) social sciences, and 3) humanities. Overall funding of $247,508 was available for distribution, which was a $46,615 increase from the amount approved a year earlier. The Table offers more details on the numbers of applications submitted and funded, the amount of funding applications allocated, and a comparison to the previous year.

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2. Lawrence G. Haggerty Award for Excellence in Research:

The Award recognizes scholarly distinction at Marquette University. Lifetime achievement along with quality and volume of publications were outcome measures used to select among nominees. A unanimous decision was made to recommend Gale Miller (Social and Cultural Sciences) as the award recipient in 2012.

3. Way Klingler Faculty Development Awards:

These awards are made possible through the Faculty Development Fund established in 2004 with a gift by the late Helen Way Klingler. The purpose of the Fund is to help support faculty development at Marquette on an annual basis. The COR makes recommendations for the recipients of the Way Klingler Young Scholar Awards and the Way Klingler Faculty Fellowships.

a. Way Klingler Young Scholar Award:

After a reduction of awards given from the original 4/year to awarding only 2/year each of the last 2 years, the full allotment of 4 awards were again given this year. This was due to both the improved performance of the endowment and the decision (as suggested by the Committee on Research) to reduce the money provided with each fellowship for the college to cover the loss of teaching from $30,000 to $20,000. The COR members agreed that the top ranked candidates would be put forward to receive the award. They were Scott Beardsley (Biomedical Engineering), Abir Bekhet (Nursing), Adam Fiedler (Chemistry), and Francesca Lopez (Educational Policy and Leadership).
b. Way Klingler Faculty Fellowships:

The standard for these awards has been for there to be an award given each year in both the sciences and the humanities, in 2011 only the award in the humanities was given. In 2012 both awards were given. The COR members selected H. Richard Friman (Political Science) to receive the Fellowship in the Humanities and Rajendra Rathore (Chemistry) to receive the Fellowship in the Sciences.

The COR was encouraged that the number of Way Klingler Awards and Fellowships were returned to the historical levels and hope that the university will maintain this level of support. The COR also recommends that if changes in the support must be made, that it is involved in such decisions.

Completed Business

Helen Boomsma and Kathleen Ludington from University Advancement attended the Oct 5, 2011 meeting and provided an overview of the organization of University Advancement and answered questions from the COR. An emphasis was on the role of faculty in fundraising and how there could be increased fundraising for research.

Fr. Scott Pilarz attended the Feb 8, 2012 meeting to discuss with the COR the role of research at the university. After a lengthy discussion Fr. Pilarz made two specific recommendations. First, that faculty would be invited to the Board of Trustees meeting in May to discuss their research. Second, he would consider ways to work with University Advancement on ways to promote funding for research.

The COR reviewed the university policies on Promoting Objectivity in Research/Financial Conflict of Interest for Public Health Services Investigators and the Intellectual Property Policy. The COR made recommendations for changes in these policies, and following these changes, voted to approve the policies. Doug Lobner presented the policies to the University Academic Senate at its April meeting.

Other Activities

• Monthly reports from the vice provost for research, Dr. Jeanne Hossenlopp.
• Monthly reports from Ms. Kathy Durben, executive director ORSP.
• Bi-monthly reports from Mr. Benjamin Kennedy, research compliance officer – human subjects and radiation safety.
• Bi-monthly reports from Mr. Austin Fritsch, research compliance officer – animal and biosafety / director animal facilities.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Lobner, Ph.D
Chair, Committee on Research