

Research Committee 2010/11

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- We met six times, including a special meeting on student publication of theses in October.

- We spent time on trying to get a new Research Incentive Program in place. We reviewed existing efforts and plans in an attempt to push a new program which stalled with the new administration. We failed, as it still remains in limbo.

- We looked into the Animal Research Protocol Review program which has been set up in preparation for an expected NIH mandate requiring such a program. While no one likes to be reviewed we found the program to be valuable at keeping protocols up to date.
- We had a special meeting on the publication of student theses. Our final conclusion is that it is impossible to ban this, but students should be informed about their responsibilities to their research partners and have a discussion about the ethical conduct of research with their advisors. We reviewed guidelines proposed by the Dean of the Graduate School.

- We reviewed a proposed charter revision that would allow restricted research. These have been/are to be submitted to the BOG. Essentially the VPR will be able to grant waivers at the request of PI's and evidence that techs/post-docs/students have been informed of the restrictions. PI's can appeal to a 2N-like committee.
- The committee chair regularly meets with an AVP for Research to exchange views and information on research matters.
- We reviewed and commented on the plans, since implemented, on an electronic research effort reporting system.

- We reviewed and commented on the plan to move CS from CLAS to the COE.
- We were informed on new NIH requirements on dissemination of research and tools from the libraries to make this easier.
- We had a presentation/discussion with OVPR on new programs to stimulate research.
- How The University Supports Research report, presented to Senate 04/2009 was completed and submitted to Policy over the course of the school year.