



UNIVERSITY RESEARCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 13, 2017

Members (quorum is 8)	Attended		Arrival/Departure Time
Jennifer Coronado	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Roberto Heredia	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	
Tonya Huber	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Michael Kidd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
John Kilburn (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Jose Carlos Lozano	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Neal McReynolds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Qingwen Ni	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Jason Norris	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Abhijit Patwardhan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Kenneth Tobin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Marivic Torregosa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Rogelio Hinojosa	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no	
Staff and Visitors: Celeste Kidd, Zoila Franco-Hinojosa			

Number Present: 12 Meeting convened at: 9:30 Adjourned at: 10:36

1. Call to order
2. Dr. Jennifer Coronado is no longer chair of the University Research Council. Dr. John Kilburn is now chair of the committee.
3. Approve minutes from 10/14/2016

Motion: URC member made motion to “Approve minutes as written.” Seconded by another URC member
Present: 12 For: 12 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

4. **URDA, URG, UCPG**
 - a. Items for Discussion
 - Few URC members with applications in this competition
 - UTGs: Torregosa; Huber; McReynolds
After discussion of items 4b & 4c, these URC members stepped out for remainder of meeting
 - URG: Ni
Will not attend next meeting where URGs will be decided, will not be assigned URG/URDA/UCPG grants for review

- b. URDA applications: Each URC member will be assigned to review half the URDA applications
- c. UCPG application: Assign three reviewers and will compete with URG

Drs. Torregosa, Huber and McReynolds left the meeting at this time

5. UTG

a. Eligibility issues with applications

- Incomplete application: No hard copy prior to deadline, ineligible to apply for UTG
- Previous URG awardee with no external grant submission: Ineligible to apply for UTG
- Previous UTG awardee did not submit final report: Ineligible to apply for UTG
- Applications from 3 investigators (Dr. Park, X. Wang and W. Kim) with extensions on previous URGs – consider as active and ineligible to apply for UTG?
Two investigators submitted progress reports (Park, Wang), Dr. Kim did not

Motion: URC member made motion to “Not fund Dr. Kim”. Seconded by another URC member
Present: 9 For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

6. UTG Discussion Items

a. Investigators travelling to do data collection

- Bernat (not clear what data being collected, may need IRB)
- Blackburn; Gonzalez (IRBs are in review or approved)
- Hilburn – needs IRB, 1 trip to Mexico – multiple locations
- McReynolds – 64 local field research trips, does not need IACUC approval
- Olivas; Thompson – archival research, no IRB needed

b. Fund one trip per investigator

Ahn; Cho; Yin; Bernat; Blackburn; Gonzalez; Thompson; Xuesong Wang; Hilburn (1 trip, multiple locations); McReynolds (multiple field data trips)

c. Investigators actively applying to get external grants for research – name and number of times PI on grant in past 3 years

Kazen (7); Nickerson (2); San Miguel (16); Soto (1); Torregosa (8); Viloría (6); Haibo Wang (4); Bernat (7); Hilburn (4); McReynolds (1); Olivas (1); Won Kim (1); Park (2)

d. Investigators signed up for grant hunting software

Brown; Maroonroge; San Miguel; Torregosa; Viloría; Haibo Wang; Wei; Bernat; Won Kim; Park

Motion: URC member made motion to fund everyone at 72% of requested amounts. Seconded by another URC member.

Present: 9 For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion: URC member made motion to fund least expensive trips for Dr. Bernat at \$1170 and Dr. Yin at \$1011, less the overall 72% reduction. Seconded by another URC member.

Present: 9 For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion: URC member made motion – “Hold UTG award notices for Park and Wang. If not satisfy previous URG requirements by 11/1/2017, then not fund them and split their awarded funds between data collection UTG applications from Blackburn, Gonzalez, Hilburn, McReynolds, Olivas, Thompson”. Seconded by another URC member.

Present: 9 For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

7. Set next meeting date:

11/10/2017

9:30-11:30

FUTURE BUSINESS

8. Award University Research Development Awards, University Research Grants and University Creative Projects Grant

9. Revisions to internal grant applications

10. Restrictions on eligibility

- a. Limit URG applications to only 1 per applicant
- b. Start application restrictions – can only apply 3 out of 5 years?
- c. Administrators, full professors or multi-year awardees – lower priority, negative point scale?
- d. Faculty on development leave – eligible?
- e. UTG 1 trip only and/or reduce amount?
- f. UTG – no data collection, only for conference support?

11. Distribution of Research Development Fund Reviews