Council on Research Meeting Report

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 and Tuesday, January 17, 2023 3:00-4:30 PM

CoR last met on January 17, 2023. This report will cover items from December 2022 and January 2023 as the Senate EC has not met since these two meetings were held. Over the course of these meetings, the CoR approved award recommendations from the Benevolent, FRAP-A, and Conference & Journal Support award subcommittees. The Excellence in Research & Creative Activities subcommittee has been delayed because of delays in nominations and will convene in January or February 2023.

CoR drafted and approved a resolution supporting participation of CoR in the AI initiative in the areas of synergies across hires, creation of the institute, and hiring of the institute director that was sent to the offices of the Provost and VPRED in December 2022. The resolution was endorsed by the Faculty Senate. In January, 2023 CoR leadership met with Vice President for Research and Economic Development Kesavadas and agreed to the following four follow-up items:

- 1. The VPRED office will send prepared document answering Senate questions to COR as well as Senate. The VPRED office will also share draft report about the AI institute from several years ago with COR, with the caveat that the vision is undergoing expansion and modification with the new hires and scope of work.
- 2. Dr. Kumar will share relevant updates from VPRED's office at regular COR meetings to facilitate communication.
- 3. Dr. Coddington will share relevant updates from the AI Director Search Committee at COR meetings when appropriate to facilitate communication.
- 4. COR will anticipate receiving updated information about the design and structure of the institute after the director is hired and decisions about the shape of the institute are made in order to ensure that operations, policies and procedures comply with organized research unit procedures.

CoR will meet again on Tuesday, February 14th 2023.