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**COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING DATE:** November 4th, 2020      **3:00 PM - 4:00 PM**  
**LOCATION:** Zoom Video Conference  
**ATTENDANCE:** [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

| MEMBERS                            |   | MEMBERS                |   | MEMBERS                  |   | GUESTS                | TIME |
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| Sayed Bateni, Chair (Fall)         | P | Rajesh Jha             | P | Jim Potemra, SEC liaison | E | Vasillis Syrmos, VPRI | P    |
| Steven Businger                    | P | Peiling Kao            | P |                          |   |                       |      |
| Duncan Farrah                      | P | Kevin Nute, Vice Chair | P |                          |   |                       |      |
| Chris Farrar                       | P | David Sanders          | P |                          |   |                       |      |
| Jason Kenji Higa, Secretary (Fall) | P | Anna Stirr             | P |                          |   |                       |      |

| SUBJECT                  | DISCUSSION / INFORMATION   | ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON   |
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| <b>CALL TO ORDER</b>     | 1. Call to order.  | 1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Bateni at 3:02 pm.   |
| <b>REVIEW OF MINUTES</b> | 1. The minutes of the October 7th, 2020 Committee on Research (COR) was circulated electronically. | 1. Motion by D Sanders to approve the October 7th, 2020 minutes; seconded by R Jha. Approved without opposition.   |
| <b>CHAIRS REPORT</b>     | 1. Welcome and Agenda<br><br>2. SEC Report   | 1. The meeting's agenda was circulated electronically before the meeting.<br>2. Chair Bateni read an email by J Potemra sent before the meeting summarizing progress on the Manoa reorganization and upcoming proposals by the Board of Regents regarding changes to tuition waivers for graduate students.<br>a. COR discussed about how grant funding is |



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|                            |                            | <p>used and allocated for salaries and tuition waivers.</p> <p>b. Discussion continued about how changes in tuition waivers would affect grad students.</p> <p>c. D Sanders made a motion to draft a memo regarding proposed changes, S Businger seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. A memo draft was created for COR collaboration</p>                               |
| <b>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</b> |                            |   |
| <b>BUSINESS</b>            | 1. Guest Speaker: V Syrmos | <p>1. VP of Research &amp; Innovation V Syrmos gave an update on the research enterprise of Mānoa</p> <p>a. VPRI Syrmos gave a summary on changes to Mānoa extramural funding.</p> <p>b. VPRI Syrmos stated that UH Mānoa is doing well and experienced research enterprise growth over the past year despite the pandemic.</p> <p>c. Discussion about how RTRF can and cannot be used.</p> |



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|             | 2. Survey of UHM researchers/faculty to see how COVID impacted/impacts/will impact them and their research. | 2. Motion to withdraw the item by S Businger, seconded by D Sanders. Approved unanimously. |
| ADJOURNMENT |   | Motion to adjourn by JK Higa; seconded by A Stirr. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm.       |

Respectfully submitted by Jason Kenji Higa, Secretary.

Approved on December 2nd, 2020 with 7 votes in favor of approval and 0 against.