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COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: March 25th, 2021 **4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**
LOCATION: Zoom Video Conference
ATTENDANCE: [P = Present; A = Absent; E = Excused]

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

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION / INFORMATION	ACTION / STRATEGY / RESPONSIBLE PERSON
CALL TO ORDER	1. Call to order.	1. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Nute at 4:04 pm.
REVIEW OF MINUTES	1. The minutes of the February 18 th , 2021 Committee on Research (COR) was circulated electronically.	1. Motion by R. Jha to approve the minutes; seconded by P. Kao. Approved 6 votes in favor of approval and 0 against.
CHAIRS REPORT	1. Welcome and Agenda 2. SEC Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Budget news is expected to be better than previously thought with no significant cuts anticipated b. Admin will relax hiring freeze with new metrics in place to justify new hires, including their potential contribution to 1) a Native Hawaiian place of learning; 2) student success; 3) research and creative 	1. The meeting's agenda was circulated electronically. 2. J.Potemra will circulate new performance indicators for review and discussion.



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	<p>works; 4) outreach and engagement with the community; and 5) response to the needs of Hawaii</p> <p>c. Reorg. Phase II was addressed. CAB passed a resolution in opposition but it may not have much impact.</p> <p>d. Pres. Lassner is setting up a committee for Gen.Ed. on campus that will take place over the summer</p> <p>e. BOR Committee to look at tenure. MFS should keep a close eye on this as BOR members may not understand or appreciate the importance of tenure</p>	
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	<p>1. Reorg. Phase II and OVPRS; K. Nute looked into Vice Chancellor/Provost level “Research Offices” at peer universities, but found that no two institutes are identical. Reduction in staff for the Manoa OVPRS is still a concern.</p>	<p>1. K. Nute to set up meeting with OVPRS to discuss staffing issue</p>
NEW BUSINESS	<p>1. ORS and unit level grant offices are another concern; pre and post award administration is excessively slow.</p>	<p>1. COR to consider inviting OVPResR to future COR meeting to address this issue.</p>
ADJOURNMENT		<p>Motion to adjourn by R.Jha; seconded by A.Stirr. The meeting adjourned at 4:40 pm.</p>

Respectfully submitted by Chris Farrar, Secretary.

Approved on April 22, 2021 with 5 votes in favor of approval and 0 against.