

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH COMMITTEE

I. DATE: April 10, 1979
TO: Faculty Senate
FROM: Lokenath Debnath, Chairman
University Research Committee

II. Membership of the Committee

Ex-officio: Chancellor Brewer
Vice Chancellor Holt
Henry Ferrell, Chairman of the Faculty
Dean of the Graduate School - Joseph Boyette

Robert Brown, Education, Secretary	1980
Hal Daniel, Allied Health	1980
Veronica Pantelidis, Library Science	1980
Umesh Gulati, Business	1980
Lokenath Debnath, Math, Chairman	1981
Edward Markowski, Home Economics	1981
William Still, History	1981
Paul Topper, Music	1981
Carl Adler, Physics	1982
Donald Lawler, English	1982
Rosina Lao, Psychology	1982
Sam Pennington, Medicine	1982

III. Committee Meetings (dates and members absent)

December 18, 1978	(Pantelidis, Brewer)
January 12, 1979	(Brewer, Holt, Brown, Pennington)
February 12, 1979	(Brewer, Holt)
February 26, 1979	(Brewer, Pennington)
March 12, 1979	(Brewer, Holt, Ferrell, Lawler)
March 19, 1979	(Brewer, Holt, Ferrell, Boyette, Pennington)

IV. Date of reports to the Faculty Senate during the Year

April 24, 1979

V. Specific Instructions, If Any, Given to the Committee by the Faculty Senate, Other Than Those Found in the Committee's Constitutional Charge

Chancellor Brewer indicated that he and Dr. Howell should be advised of recipients before recipients are notified.

VI. A Brief Statement of Committee Organization, Subcommittees, Research Activities, etc.

Lokenath Debnath, Chairperson
Robert Brown, Secretary

Committee organized into three subcommittees: "A" chaired by Dr. Adler, "B" chaired by Dr. Boyette, "C" chaired by Dr. Debnath, and "D" chaired by Dr. Debnath.

Committee and subcommittees A, B, and C read all 114 proposals. Subcommittees recommended or did not recommend proposals to full committee. Subcommittee D reconciled all budgets with monies available. Full committee voted on all proposals.

Six subcommittees were created in order to develop application form with guidelines, to evaluate grant proposals and to make recommendation to the full committee.

VII. List of Committee Accomplishments Including Recommendations Made to Agencies Other than the Faculty Senate

- A. Developed application form with instructions and regulations for grant proposal
- B. Developed criteria for evaluation of grant proposals
- C. Elected six members to serve on Subcommittee on Summer Grants
- D. Evaluated 115 grant proposals
- E. The Committee has \$60,000 to support faculty research and other creative activities
- F. Recommended 56 proposals with \$45,968.00 for funding to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for his and Chancellor's approval
- G. With the approval of the Vice Chancellor and the Chancellor, Committee announced the grants and sent procedure for handling the grants

VIII. Citation of the Resolution Numbers of Senate Resolutions That Originated With the Committee

None

IX. Proposals and/or Business to be Carried Over to the Next Year

None

X. Evaluation of the Committee

- A. Structure: satisfactory
- B. Duties: clearly defined
- C. Functions: satisfactory
- D. Personnel: excellent (Attendance of the Committee members was excellent throughout the year. Members were generally interested in and actively involved with the activities of the Committee.)

XI. Suggestions for Improving the Effectiveness of the Committee

Some delays were encountered in first year of operation. Call for proposals should go out in August at the latest with awards made by October. There is still a question about multi-year grants. Instructions should be more explicit especially in regard to budget categories.

Signed: Chairperson

L. Ormuth

Secretary

Robert M. Ormuth