RESEARCH POLICIES

OPENNESS IN RESEARCH AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF SPONSORSHIP OF RESEARCH

May 10, 2006, Records, pp. 10535-10539S, Appendix 29

Vice Provost for Research, Robert Richardson, presented background on a resolution to affirm the policy of openness in research and public disclosure of sponsorship of research. He said the Local Advisory Council endorsed the resolution unanimously:

WHEREAS, Cornell University has a tradition of free and open research dating from 1948, which was codified as policy in the Guidelines on Sensitive and Proprietary Research (Cornell Research Council, May 20, 1985), and

WHEREAS, there has been a settled tradition since 1954 of publishing a “detailed list of research projects giving sponsor, title, project, director, amount and time period” (Vice President for Research, Annual Report 1954), and

WHEREAS, the University Faculty Committee on Research Policies reviewed the benefits of publicly disclosing sponsors of research grants and contracts and recommended (December 14, 1972) that such information be published in the Cornell Chronicle (first published September 1, 1973), and

WHEREAS, a monthly list of new grants and contracts for Ithaca and Geneva campuses was published in the Sponsored Programs newsletter beginning October 28, 1982, and was disseminated via the Sponsored Programs website beginning July 1998,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT a listing of all Sponsored Program awards be made publicly accessible and updated on a regular basis (ideally monthly) giving the name of the Principal Investigator, the name of the unit administering the award, the name of the sponsoring agency (or organization) of the award, the project title, and the amount of the award, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the format of the publication may be amended from time to time, and that additional
information about Sponsored Program awards may be published as deemed necessary by the Vice Provost for Research.

Due to the fact that the meeting did not have a quorum, no vote could be taken. It will be appear on an agenda in the fall.

RESOLUTION FROM THE LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AFFIRMING POLICY OF OPENNESS IN RESEARCH AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF SPONSORSHIP OF RESEARCH

September 13, 2006, Records, pp. 10589-10592S, Appendix 3

Robert Richardson, Vice Provost for Research, indicated this resolution was left over from the May meeting that lacked a quorum. The resolution’s purpose is to make into written policy, the actual practice of the University.

Following discussion, the resolution was approved as follows:

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