RESOLUTION ON THE PROPOSED RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (VPRI)

WHEREAS, Executive Policy A3.101 calls for the Mānoa Faculty Senate to review any proposed reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the Mānoa Faculty Senate (MFS) has delegated to the MFS Committee on Administration and Budget (CAB) the duty to review reorganization proposals and, based on a Reorganization Proposal Consultation Review Checklist, to present their recommendations to the MFS Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, the CAB, in order to make a determination on the appropriateness of a re-organization and an assessment of the accuracy of the information provided in the proposal, completes the Reorganization Proposal Consultation Review Checklist with detailed comments working from material submitted in the formal reorganization document and with material gathered from other sources; and

WHEREAS, as part of performing due diligence the CAB can seek additional information from those proposing the re-organization and those affected by the re-organization; and

WHEREAS, the CAB first received the reorganization document from the Mānoa Faculty Senate Executive Committee on October 04, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the CAB found many concerns in the proposed reorganization as detailed in the draft of the Reorganization Proposal Consultation Review Checklist ranging from concerns that the Vice-chancellor for Research (VCR) would have his duties significantly reduced without any proposed reduction in salary for the VCR, to inaccuracy in the proposed organizational chart regarding the Center on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Committee members also found concerns with impacts of the proposed reorganization on the Mānoa Office of Research Compliance given that approximately $345 million of research funding is generated by the Mānoa campus out of a total of $400-500 million total generated as a System and so research is primarily a Mānoa campus function; and

WHEREAS, there is no evidence of in the reorganization proposal put forth by the VPRI’s office of increases in organizational or cost efficiencies; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mānoa Faculty Senate oppose the proposed re-organization of the Office of the Vice-President for Research and Innovation.
Supporting Documents:

1. CAB Reorganization Proposal Consultation and Review Checklist dated January 13, 2016. [PDF]
2. Proposed ORC Reorganization correspondence from Vassilis Syrmos, VPRI to Robert Cooney, SEC Chair dated October 2, 2015. [PDF]
3. University of Hawaii Office of Research Compliance (ORC) reorganization proposal. [PDF]
5. University of Hawaii Research Compliance Task Force Report [PDF]
6. Protocol Activity for Calendar Year 2015 – IACUC and IBC (not finalized) [PDF]
7. Protocol Activity for Calendar Year 2015 – IACUC and ARC (not finalized) [PDF]
8. Protocol Activity for Calendar Year 2015 – IRE-DURC and IRB (not finalized) [PDF]
Three Mānoa faculty members make World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds list

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Three faculty members at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa have been named to Thomson Reuters’ World’s Most Influential Scientific Minds and Highly Cited Researcher lists in 2015—Stephen L. Vargo, Shidler College Distinguished Professor of Marketing at the Shidler College of Business; Loïc Le Marchand, a professor at the UH Cancer Center and Laurence N. Kolonel, emeritus professor in the Office of Public Health Studies.

Thomas Reuters is “the world’s leading source of intelligent information for businesses and professionals.” Honorees were selected based on having the most highly cited papers among fellow researchers, which means their peers identified their contributions as being among the most valuable and significant in their respective field.

Stephen Vargo

Repeat recipient Vargo has published more than 100 research publications, plus two books. His research has been accepted in top publications including the Journal of Marketing, Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science, Journal of Service Research, Journal of International Marketing, Journal of Retailing and MIS Quarterly. He has made more than 200 research presentations around the world, including 35 as keynote speaker for major conferences.

The Hawai‘i Kai resident currently has more than 23,000 citations, according to Google Scholar. He is the recipient of the American Marketing Association/Harold H. Maynard Award and the AMA/Sheth Foundation Award for outstanding contributions to the marketing field.

Loïc Le Marchand

Le Marchand, a professor in the University of Hawai‘i Cancer Center’s epidemiology program, has received international recognition for his research on the genetic and lifestyle factors...
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responsible for cancer disparities among ethnic/racial populations in Hawaiʻi and California.

The Kaka‘ako resident has published more than 500 articles in scientific journals that include JAMA, New England Journal of Medicine, Nature, Nature Genetics and The Journal of the National Cancer Institute. He has served on expert panels for a number of federal or international agencies, such as the National Institutes of Health and the World Health Organization. He is currently the principal investigator of the Multiethnic Cohort Study and of a large multi-institutional project on obesity and cancer.

Laurence Kolonel

Kolonel served for 30 years as director of the epidemiology program at the University of Hawai‘i Cancer Center and is emeritus professor in the Office of Public Health Studies. He is a world-renowned scholar in the fields of epidemiology and prostate cancer, and has published more than 500 articles in peer reviewed scientific journals.

The Wai‘alae-Kāhala resident was honored with an R-37 MERIT award from the National Institutes of Health for his research on diet and cancer. In 2013, he received the prestigious American Cancer Society Award for Research Excellence in Cancer Epidemiology and Prevention from the American Association for Cancer Research. He is the co-founder of the Multiethnic Cohort Study, which follows more than 215,000 participants for health events in Hawai‘i and California.

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