

Research Council Annual Report 1999-2000

DATE: June 15, 2000
TO: Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate
FROM: Michael H. Freilich, Chair, Research Council
SUBJECT: Research Council Activities, Academic Year 1999-2000

The purpose of the Research Council is to promote, stimulate, and facilitate research activity at Oregon State University. The Council does this by advising the Vice Provost for Research concerning the dissemination of information, by providing advice on research policies, by reviewing and ranking requests for funds from the General Research Fund and the Research Equipment Reserve Fund, and by reviewing pre-proposals as required for external research funding opportunities to which the university can submit only a limited number of proposals.

During the period covered by this report, the Research Council reviewed 142 requests for support from OSU funds. Of these requests, 51 were approved for funding at a total of \$982,510. The source of funds and amounts provided are indicated below:

General Research Fund (GRF):	11 awards totaling \$81,815.
Research Equipment Reserves Funds (RERF):	40 awards totaling \$900,695.

Due to the limited number and quality of GRF proposals received in the Spring solicitation, the Council did not recommend that the full available GRF funding be distributed; the Council expressed its wish that the unspent GRF funds totaling \$17,000 be carried forward by the Research Office and used to enhance the resources for the GRF in the 2000-2001 Academic Year.

The Council reviewed and made recommendations to the Research Office on two external solicitations to which OSU could submit only a limited number of proposals:

NSF Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) Program:	4 pre-proposals reviewed
Dreyfus New Faculty Awards Program:	2 pre-proposals reviewed.

Superb staff support was provided to the Council by Mary Nunn, Rich Holdren, and Dawn Marie Gaid throughout the 1999-2000 Academic Year.

The Research Council members and year of termination are listed below:

Michael H. Freilich, Chair '20
James Coakley '02
Valerian Dolja '02
Sally Gallagher '01
Stephen Hobbs '00
Goran Jovanovic '02
Rubin Landau '01
Jo-Ann Leong '00
David Myrold '01

Ex-Officio: Rich Holdren