1. Name: Research/Creative Activities Committee

2. Membership:
   14 elected faculty members.
   Ex-officio members (with vote): The Chancellor or an appointed representative, the Provost or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences or an appointed representative, the Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies or an appointed representative, the Chair of the Faculty and one faculty senator selected by the Chair of the Faculty.

   The membership of the committee shall serve according to their disciplinary expertise. This would include six members from the College of Arts and Sciences, with at least two each from Humanities, Social Sciences, and the Sciences/Math, and eight members from the Professional Schools and other academic units, with no more than two from each professional school. Each member shall have demonstrated accomplishment in research, and/or creative activity.

   The chair of the committee may invite resource persons as necessary to realize the committee charge. The chair of the committee may appoint such subcommittees as he or she deems necessary.

3. Quorum: 8 elected members exclusive of ex-officio.

4. Committee Responsibilities:
   A. The committee considers matters related to the scholarly activity of the University, including at least the following:
      1. Activities to improve and promote professional scholarly productivity of faculty members;
      2. Procedures and policies governing research and/or creative activities;
      3. Any proposed changes in existing policies affecting research and creative activities of faculty members of the University.

   B. The committee recommends the funding of meritorious internal research/creative activity proposals for the research/creative activity awards program.
      1. Provided that funding is expected to be available, the committee shall solicit proposals for research/creative activities from eligible faculty.
      2. The committee shall recommend the funding of meritorious internal research/creative activity proposals.
      3. Each year, the committee shall collect and review reports of research/creative activity from any award recipients from the previous year.
      4. Members of the committee are not permitted to submit proposals.

5. To Whom The Committee Reports:
   The committee reports its recommendations from these considerations to either the Faculty Senate or the appropriately charged university standing committee.
The committee reports its recommendations of research/creative activity grant proposals to be funded to the vice chancellor for research and graduate studies and reports the final list of funded proposals to the Faculty Senate. The committee makes recommendations concerning the policies and procedures governing research/creative activity grant proposals to the Faculty Senate.

6. How Often The Committee Reports:
The committee reports to the Faculty Senate at least once a year and at other times as necessary.

7. Power Of The Committee To Act Without Faculty Senate Approval:
The committee is empowered to make recommendations regarding the funding of research proposals.

8. Standard Meeting Time:
The committee will establish a standard meeting schedule at its first meeting of the academic year.