## RESEARCH COMMITTEE

### Agenda

**Date:** 9 November 2010  
**Time:** 9:30 to 11:30 am  
**Venue:** Mt Gravatt M24 Room 3.11A and Gold Coast G34 Room 2.12

**Number of Items on Agenda:** 9

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Paper Attached: No

For noting

Apologies:

Apologies may be recorded by telephoning Ms Gynelle Murray on 3735 4106 or by email (gynelle.murray@griffith.edu.au).

Apologies have been received from:
Professor Graham Cuskelly
Claire Wyatt-Smith
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**Issues for Discussion:**

The Minutes of the Research and Postgraduate Studies Committee meeting of 5/2010 are included in the agenda papers.

**Recommendation:**

That the minutes be taken as read and confirmed.
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### Agenda Item No. & Title:
3.0 Chair’s Report

### Paper Attached:
Yes

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For noting

### Issues for Discussion:

1. **ARC and NHMRC Grant Results**
   - Reports on Griffith University grant outcomes are attached below.
     - a. ARC Discovery Projects 2011 Outcomes
     - b. ARC Linkage Projects 2011 Outcomes
     - c. NHMRC Projects 2011 Outcomes
     - d. NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in Nursing Interventions for Hospitalised Patients
     - e. Other successful grants with Griffith CIs administered through other universities

2. **ERA 2012**
   - An updated report on the ERA 2010 Strategy and ERA 2012 is attached.
Meeting: 4/2010
10 August 2010

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**Issues for Discussion:**

1. Items emanating from BGR meeting 5_2010
2. GGRS Review Implementation Sheet (late paper to be tabled)
3. End of year scholarship information:
   a) Team Place overview for Heads of Element and HDR Convenors
   b) Key dates for 2011 scholarship round
   c) Sample of scholarship merit sheet
   d) Research Higher Degree Convenors
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**Issues for Discussion:**

**Background**

The Research Centre Annual Report Review Panel meets each year to consider the annual reports provided by research centres, to assign a qualitative score for each research centre, and to provide feedback to each research centre about their performance, future targets, planned budget and acquittal of research centre funding received. This year the Research Centre Annual Report Review Panel meeting was held on Monday 18 October. Panel members were:

Professor Ned Pankhurst - Chair  
Professor Parlo Singh  
Professor Lyn Griffiths  
Professor Graham Cuskelly  
Professor Richard Bagnall  
Associate Professor Michael Blumenstein

The Review Panel had access to both the reports prepared by each Centre and the preliminary Staircase Reports. Based on information contained in both the Annual and the Staircase reports, the Review Panel provided feedback for each centre. A summary of that feedback is attached for the Committee’s information.

**Assessment Criteria**

The overall funding model for this year's assessments is based on a quantitative (75%) and qualitative (25%) split. The criteria and weightings are intended to drive research quality behaviours and reflect not only the standard metrics which are used by the Government to assess University performance (which form the basis for Research Block Funding), but also takes into consideration the performance benchmarked against the particular discipline area.

Quantitative (75%) - This is automatically calculated from IGS data  
HDR Load 10%  
HDR Completions 20%  
Total $ Value Income 40%  
Total Publication Points 30%
Qualitative (25%) - This is automatically calculated from Staircase KPI level data
Category 1 Income  30%
Category 2, 3 & 4 Income 25%
Publication Points  35%
International joint publications 10%

**Indicative Ranking and Funding Model**

The attached spreadsheet lists the ranking of Research Centres following their Annual Review and is based on performance as reported in the Staircase reports for each centre, as described above. Research Centres receive base funding depending on whether they are University ($100,000) or Faculty ($50,000) Centres. Some centres receive higher than the base, as a result of past mergers.

Centre funding for 2011 will be the final year where the maximum decrease or increase in a Centre's performance funding over the previous year is capped at 10%. The attached spreadsheet shows the effect that the cap has upon the 2011 funding.

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**Recommendation:**

The Research Committee is asked to:

1. Approve the Research Centres Review Panel feedback to be provided to Research Centre Directors.
2. Approve the Indicative 2011 Ranking and Funding model adopted by the Research Centres Review Panel.
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## Issues for Discussion:

The attached paper is a proposal for the formation of a Musculoskeletal Research Program (MRP) within the Griffith Health Institute (GHI).

The Bone, Muscle and Movement (BMM) group is an Emerging Area of Research Strength within the Griffith Health Institute (GHI). At the time the GHI was formed in 2007 the BMM consisted of 12 members with a common interest in musculoskeletal research. Over the past 3 years the BMM membership and research capacity has increased. The BMM currently consists of 23 members from 4 schools within Griffith Health (School of Physiotherapy and Exercise Science, School of Medicine, School of Pharmacy, School of Medical Sciences). Expertise within the BMM includes Anatomy, Biomechanics, Muscle and Bone Physiology, Medicine, Neuroscience, Pharmacy, Engineering, Physiotherapy and Computational Biology.

This proposal is to establish a new research program within the GHI based on the BMM which will be renamed as the Musculoskeletal Research Program (MRP).

## Recommendation:

The Research Committee is asked to consider the attached proposal paper for establishment of a new Musculoskeletal Research Program within the Griffith Health Institute (GHI).
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### Issues for Discussion:

**Background**
In 2009 the Office for Research commissioned a client service survey within the University. This survey identified a number of areas for improvement in relation to Research Grant Administration. As a result of this internal review and further analysis of the Grants Team service activities, the Office has identified 3 structural changes to address these issues:

- Levels of Review for Grant Applications
- Levels of Review for Grant Contracts and
- Alignment of Grants Team Members to Research Centres

**Research Grants – Differing Levels of Service**
A report is attached and the Deputy Director, OR, Research Services will address the committee.

**Alignment of Grants Team Members to Research Centres**
A report is attached and the Deputy Director, OR, Research Services will address the committee.

### Recommendation:

The Research Committee is asked to approve:

- The Differing Levels of Service for Research Grants and
- The Alignment of Grants Team Members to Research Centres

as attached to this Agenda item.
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### Issues for Discussion:
- Research Applications for 01/01/2010 – 4/11/2010
- Consultancies Awarded for 01/10/2010 – 4/11/2010
- Human Research Ethics Minutes meeting 8/10

## Recommendation:
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Agenda Item No. & Title: 9.0 Schedule of Meetings

Paper Attached: No

For noting

2010 Meeting Schedule listed below

Meeting Day: Tuesdays 9:30am - 11:30am

* meetings will proceed only if business warrants
** chaired by Professor Parlo Singh

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