The President’s Advisory Committee on University Relations (PACUR) met at the UCAR Center Green Campus in Boulder, Colorado.

The following people were present for all or a portion of the meeting:

**PACUR Members**
Lisa White, San Francisco State University- Chair
Wendy Abshire, UCP
Lisa Dilling, University of Colorado
Eve Gruntfest, University of Colorado, CO Springs
Greg Hakim, University of Washington
Robert Hart, Florida State University
Marika Holland, NCAR
Jon Martin, University of Wisconsin - Madison
Joyce Penner, University of Michigan
Robert Rauber, University of Illinois
Alan Robock, Rutgers University
Roger Samelson, Oregon State University
Robert Street, Stanford University
Geoffery Vallis, Princeton University

**NSF**
Cliff Jacobs, Section Head Office of Polar Programs
Sarah Ruth, Program Coordinator AGS
Bernard Grant, Assistant Program Coordinator AGS

**UCAR/NCAR/ UCP**
Rick Anthes, UCAR President
Jack Fellows, UCAR Corporate Affairs Vice President and UCP Director
Eric Barron, NCAR Director
Maura Hagan, NCAR Deputy Director
Karon Chambers, NCAR Budget and Planning
Rebecca Greenburg, NCAR Budget and Planning
Rena Brasher-Alleva, NCAR Budget and Planning
Valerie Koch, NCAR Budget and Planning
Hanne Mauriello  UCP Budget and Planning
Susan Friberg, UCAR Corporate Affairs
Aneka Finley, UCAR Corporate Affairs
1. Welcome and Introductions. PACUR Chair Lisa White called the meeting to order and welcomed newly elected PACUR members, Robert Rauber, Jeff Trapp, Robert Street, Geoffrey Vallis, and Jon Martin. White also thanked the outgoing members, Eve Gruntfest and Joyce Penner, for their contribution to the committee during their terms.

2. President’s Welcome. Rick Anthes welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. He read the charge of PACUR committee and reminded both new and returning members of the role of PACUR in the review of non-core proposals and as advisory to him.

3. Approval of Meeting Notes. Lisa White presented the meeting notes from the spring PACUR meeting at the University of Miami. A motion was made seconded and passed to approve the notes.

4. NSF Update. Bernard Grant, UCAR and Lower Atmospheric Facilities/AGS/NSF, gave a brief update from NSF. He reported that NSF’s budget request for FY10 was up 8.5%, and budget priorities will focus on Climate Change Science. Grant talked about the name change from ATM to AGS and reported on some of the personnel changes including Cliff Jacobs moving to OPP and Steve Nelson staying on as the Acting Section Head for ULAFOS.

5. Open Access. Mary Marlino, the NCAR Library Director, gave an update on Open Access, and OpenSky, the new UCAR open access repository of UCAR’s scholarly works. Mary Faulk from the library reported on how OpenSky will be of benefit to the UCAR community by allowing the UCAR community to compile, preserve and share the institution’s intellectual output. In addition, OpenSky will provide a suite of services tailored to help UCAR and NCAR authors organize, preserve, and track their works, share resources more quickly and meaningfully with peers and colleagues, negotiate supportive publishing agreements, and explore publishing alternatives that support enhanced access to scholarly works. It will increase UCAR’s visibility around the world, she said, and will allow the public to access federally-funded research and will support the institutions mission to “foster the transfer of knowledge and technology for the betterment of life on Earth”.

6. UCAR Magazine. Bob Henson, from the UCAR Communications Office, gave a brief update on the redesign of the UCAR Quarterly. He reported that the Quarterly is now called “UCAR Magazine” and will be printed three times a year. Two new sections, “Four Questions” and “Findings” replace what was “Science Bits” and the web version of the publications has a section called “Currents” which is similar to a blog. The Communications Office has also started a Twitter
feed that has become popular with close to 800 followers so far. The UCAR website now includes a list of all the social networking opportunities going on across the organization.

7. Advanced Study Program Graduate Visitor Program and Faculty Fellowship Program. Maura Hagan, NCAR Deputy Director and ASP Director gave an update on the ASP Graduate Visitor Program and the Faculty Fellowship Program. Hagan gave some background on the Graduate Visitor Program, saying the purpose of the program is to support students and their advisers to come to NCAR for a 3 to 12 month visit to pursue thesis research. The Faculty Fellowship Program is similar, but it is meant to provide support for faculty to come to NCAR or for NCAR scientists to go to a university for 3 to 12 months. She also announced the new ISP/ASP initiative whereby post doc fellowships are granted in partnerships with another host institution like the CDC, with a student spending time in residence at both NCAR and the other host institution. Hagan also reported on the progress of a pilot program that is partnering with HBCU’s to bring NCAR scientists to HBCU campuses for seminars, etc. Hagan asked for committee members to help with the Faculty Fellowship applications, Lisa White, Bob Street and Geoff Vallis volunteered.

8. Non-core Proposal Subcommittee. In Subcommittee Chair Sharon Zhong’s absence, Bob Hart reported on the work of the non-core proposal sub-committee. He reminded everyone that the sub-committees job is not to review the science proposed, but to audit the NCAR process to ensure a proper level of university collaboration in these non-core projects. Hart reported there were 83 total proposals and the sub-committee reviewed 23 mostly 3C/3D and most of the 3B proposals were justified not having a university collaborator with the acceptation of one to NASA. In summary, the subcommittee found that the NCAR proposal process is working well. The Sub-committee members for the next year will be: Bob Hart, chair; Greg Hakim; Bob Street; and Jon Martin.

9. Members’ Meeting post-mortem. Jack Fellows led the wrap-up discussion about the Member’s Meeting. Committee comments included the following

   a. The speakers from New York and Chicago were really great. They both have expressed an interest in helping out with the Climate Summit to be held in Spring 2010.
   b. The question was raised if the current mix of Member Reps is the correct mix.
   c. It was also asked if the appointment of Member Rep was meant to be a lifetime appointment? It was mentioned that this has been a touchy subject within the university community.
   d. There needs to be a way for Member Reps to communicate with each other via email – maybe a FaceBook page?
e. The role of the Member Rep needs to be broadened. One suggestion was to include questions on level of Rep activity when a university renews its UCAR Membership.

f. It was odd that during the discussion period there weren’t more questions asked. Consider posing questions to the Reps to stimulate discussion.

g. Having one theme was more effective than a number of themes or topics, as with past Forums and break out sessions.

h. Consider doing an NCAR poster session every other year; tours would be useful too.

i. Think about how we can take more advantage of the meeting being here at NCAR.

10. Next Meeting. The next PACUR meeting will be held in Spring 2010 and will be at Oregon State University.

~ End of PACUR Notes~