This committee aids the President of UCAR in improving communications between the corporation and the Members.

The University Relations Committee (URC) helps maintain good communication and relationships between the Corporation and members by:

- Advising the UCAR President,
- Proposing agenda items for Members' meetings
- Proposing activities and programs for UCAR to undertake.
- Reviewing NCAR's non-NSF and UOP proposals to avoid unfair competition with universities.
University Representatives
Eric Betterton, Chair (2003), University of Arizona
Efi Foufoula-Georgiou (2003), University of Minnesota
Jim Hansen (2005), Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Everette Joseph (2003), Howard University
Arlene Laing (2005), University of South Florida
John Merrill (2004), University of Rhode Island
Stephen Monismith (2004), Stanford University
Michael Morgan (2004), University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ken Pickering (2005), University of Maryland
Patricia Reiff (2003), Rice University
Eugene Takle (2005), Iowa State University
Sepi Yalda (2005), Millersville University of Pennsylvania

UCAR Trustee Liaison
Len Pietrafesa (North Carolina State University)

UCAR/NCAR Resource Personnel
Mary Barth, ACD/MMM
Ginger Caldwell, SCD
Joanne Graham, Unidata
2002-03 URC Liaisons to NCAR Divisions & UOP

- **Advanced Study Program** - Ken Pickering, University of Maryland
- **Atmospheric Chemistry Division** - Eric Betterton, University of Arizona
- **Atmospheric Technology Division** - Gene Takle, Iowa State University
- **Climate & Global Dynamics Division** - Jim Hansen, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- **Environmental & Societal Impacts Group** - Sepi Yalda, Millersville University of Pennsylvania
- **High Altitude Observatory** - Pat Reiff, Rice University
- **Mesoscale & Microscale Meteorology** - Everette Joseph, Howard University
- **Research Applications Program** - Efi Foufoula-Georgiou, University of Minnesota
- **Scientific Computing Division** - Michael Morgan, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- **UCAR Office of Programs** - John Merrill, University of Rhode Island
2003-2004 URC Slate

New and Returning Members
Kerry Cook - Cornell University
Efi Foufoula-Georgiou - University of Minnesota
Everette Joseph - Howard University
David Karoly – University of Oklahoma

Continuing Members
Jim Hansen - Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2005)
Arlene Laing - University of Southern Florida (2005)
John Merrill, incoming Chairman - University of Rhode Island (2004)
Ken Pickering - University of Maryland (2005)
Gene Takle - Iowa State University (2005)
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Non-core Proposal Reviews

- All NCAR/UOP “non-core-NSF funded” proposals submitted to funding agencies must justify:
  - Appropriateness to NCAR or UCAR.
  - Does not unfairly compete with universities
  - Meaningful university collaboration or
  - Develops community resources or tech. transfer
  - If cosponsored, must support and enhance NSF-sponsored core NCAR program.

- URC reviews ~10 (20%) proposals twice a year
- NCAR devotes 1.5 FTEs to compliance effort
- ‘30% LR threshold’ instituted for explicit justification of co-sponsorship level
  where LR = $(NSF)/$(requested)
- Subcommittee report summarized in URC Minutes:
  http://www.ucar.edu/governance/committees/urc/urc_minutes.html
Non-core Subcommittee Report
January 1, 2003 - June 30, 2003

John Merrill, Chairman
Everette Joseph
Steve Monismith
Eric Betterton (ex-officio)

- 11/78 proposals were reviewed (selected by URC at random, representing all 8 NCAR divisions and UOP; 2 each from ACD and RAP due to higher submission rate)
- “We find that adherence to the guidelines … has been very good in all Divisions.”
- Most proposals include well defined university collaboration
- “Co-sponsorship” in about 1/3 of cases; LR = 15%; adequately justified

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April Meeting – Stanford U.

Jasper Ridge Biological Preserve: 1000 acres for environmental and global change research

Stephen Monismith, John Kriewall, Cary Tronson

Response of California annual grasslands to elevated carbon dioxide
10 years later: evolving role of the URC

“This is beyond the intellect: this is money” – Cliff Jacobs, April 2003

  – “Expand education and training opportunities at new and existing research facilities.”
  – *Process* for connecting Haiper (and other MREs) to university communities

• **NSF Panel** Review recommendations on *intellectual* interactions
  – “The role of the URC should be expanded to examine and recommend improvements to mechanisms for intellectual exchanges between NCAR and the Universities.”

• Mold implementation of *existing* UCAR/NCAR Strategic Plan
• NCAR Faculty Fellowships for pre-tenured faculty
• UCAR Faculty Forum (Jim Hansen): junior faculty + NCAR early career scientists
• Composition of the URC - 12 + 3?
• Retain oversight role (non-core funding, Faculty Fellows (?)
• Annual Members Meeting Agenda