Status Report on Conflict of Interest (CoI) Committee

to the
Executive Board
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Committee

- Co-Chairs- Gisele Bennett and Jilda Garton
- GTRI – Jeff Sitterle
- Colleges:
  - ECE – Nikil Jayant
  - Public Policy:
    - Susan Cozzens
    - Richard Barke
  - ChE – Ronald Rousseau
  - Mgt – Charles Mulford
- Legal - Pamela Rary
- OTL – George Harker
- VentureLab – Ben Hill, Steve Derezinski
Objective / Charter

- The committee shall review the CoI Policy and provide a recommendation to the executive board for revisions
- This committee was formed on the recommendation of both the IP policy review committee and distance learning committee
General topics to review in CoI Policy

- Entrepreneurial activity
- Students
- Use of GT facilities
- Ownership in corporations
- Impact on license from future research
- Pipeline activities
- SBIR language
- CoI form and review process
Approach

- Review policies by
  - State
  - BoR
  - Federal
    - NIH/NSF
  - DoD
General topics to review in CoI Policy

- Entrepreneurial activity
  - Encouraged, however, must have review by CoI committee. Certain conditions trigger this review and in some cases are prohibited, e.g. cannot have substantial interest (>25%) in a company and conduct business with the state [applies to full and part-time employees]

- Students
  - Must follow CoI guidelines – verbiage has been changed in many sections by either including staff and students in addition to faculty or referring to employees

- Use of GT facilities
  - May be used only after ‘approval and with appropriate charges’

- Ownership in corporations
  - Must be less than 25%

- Impact on license from future research
General topics to review in Col Policy

- Pipeline activities
- SBIR language
  - Removed reference to SBIRs since GT cannot submit proposals for SBIRs
- Col form and review process
  - Soliciting input from school chairs and deans on the process
- Need to clarify “consulting hours”
Timeline

☑ Summer 03 – Organizational meeting

■ Fall 03 –
  ☑ committee kick-off meeting
  ☑ presentation to executive board
  ☑ Review meeting with committee
  ☑ Complete 1st draft

■ Spring 04 –
  ■ Present final version to executive board
  ■ Present revision to faculty senate