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TO: PRIMARY REPRESENTATIVES, COGR MEMBER INSTITUTIONS,
AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

FROM: Jeffrey Silber, Board Chair, and Wendy Streitz, President

SUBJECT: Call for Nominations for COGR Board of Directors – **March 10, 2023, Deadline**

This is a call for nominations to the COGR Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee will consider candidates for COGR Board membership and we urge you to assist us by providing nominations. It is one of the most important activities for which we need your help. COGR relies on your active involvement in identifying individuals who will be effective and hard working on behalf of the research community.

As you know, the COGR Board needs expertise, variety, and balance. Of particular importance is having a broad view of the research enterprise. We need to consider program needs, public/private balance, and regional distribution, as well as a diversity of expertise. *In addition to individuals responsible for the broad research enterprise, there is currently a need for expertise in the areas of costing and intellectual property, though other areas of expertise are helpful as well.*

The selection of Board members is not an easy task. We traditionally draw on individuals who attend and actively participate in meetings. However, we also reach out beyond this pool as needed to fill special identified needs. In the final analysis, the Nominating Committee selects those individuals who are the best all-around candidates.

Under COGR Bylaws, Board members are appointed to three-year terms, which may be renewed once, to a maximum of six years' service. The present call for nominations seeks to fill positions that will be appointed effective August 1, 2023. As much as the specific expertise of a candidate is important, so too is their status and involvement at their home institution. Therefore, we remind you of the selection criteria that will be applied.

Required qualifications and selection criteria

1. Candidates should be persons who are senior leadership or work closely with senior leadership, participating in top-level university-wide policy formulation and decision-making.

2. Candidates must understand the financial and/or research administration and compliance aspects of government sponsored programs and/or have experience with policy development or intellectual property management.
3. The Nominating Committee will consider for membership on the Board only those persons who have demonstrated the willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to be effective members of the Board.
4. A primary concern is the candidate's effective representation of the institution as an entity. Although the candidate's experience and expertise may be focused, they must understand the institution-wide significance of issues which traditionally fall within COGR's purview and assist in their resolution.
5. Candidates must have available adequate staff assistance so that, despite a busy schedule and major responsibilities at their home institution, they can make a significant contribution to the work of COGR.
6. The nomination package should consist of a nominating letter accompanied by a traditional resume or biosketch of not more than three pages in length with up to one additional letter of support. The package should also include an endorsement from the nominee's institution, regarding the commitment of resources and time. This endorsement, from a senior level individual, may be submitted either in conjunction with the application or separately, but must become a part of the application.

A complete application should therefore include a brief nomination cover letter, to be provided by the nominee or others, a biography prepared by the nominee, and an institutional endorsement. These materials should be received in the COGR office no later than **March 10, 2023**. **You are encouraged to submit the application materials electronically to: memberservices@cogr.edu. Once your application has been received by the COGR office, you will receive an email acknowledgement.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Deans at mdeans@cogr.edu.