

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Arthur Weglein, Hugh Roy and Lillie-Cranz Cullen Distinguished Professor of Physics
From: Rathindra N. Bose, Vice Chancellor/Vice President for Research and Technology Transfer
CC: Dr. Paula Short, Senior Vice Chancellor/Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Dr. Carl Carlucci, Executive Vice Chancellor/Vice President for Administration and Finance
Dona Cornell, Vice Chancellor/Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel
Dr. Dan Wells, Interim Dean, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Date: November 4, 2013
Re: Internal Audit Reports

Rathindra N. Bose

We are in receipt of your July 29, 2013 memo regarding the two internal audit reports dated February 25, 2013 and March 26, 2013 related to the allegations of your travel expenditures and TLC² payroll expenditures. We are pleased to hear you and M-OSRP will continue to follow UHS and UH policies as well as review your practices to ensure you are in continued compliance. I have reviewed the audit reports and discussed this matter with Senior Vice President and Provost, Dr. Paula Short, and Vice President for Legal Affairs, Dona Cornell, and determined that there were no findings of policy violations in the internal audit reports. As a result, please let this memo serve as official notice that the matters that were the subject of the above-referenced audit reports have been resolved and should be considered closed.

Finally, based on your request and to further assist our researchers, we have looked at the policies that provide guidance on the proper expenditures of funds derived from federal funding, restricted corporate funding and unrestricted consortium funding. Our policies for expenditures from federal funding are, of course, governed by federal law including OMB Circular A21, A110 and A133. Restricted corporate funding is governed by the contracts themselves, but for the sake of consistency, the rules in A21 are used to formulate the overall guideline that is applied to all sponsored projects; federal and non-federal. This guide can be found on the Division of Research website.

With regard to unrestricted consortium funding, the Division of Research in conjunction with the Research and Scholarship Committee has been reviewing which policies are applicable, or if more guidance is needed in managing research consortia. The consensus by the Research and Scholarship committee, based on the nature of the consortium, is that the use of the university's MAPP policy, regarding the use of local funds, should be the applicable guideline that governs the use of these funds rather than the A21 Sponsored Project guidelines. The pertinent consortium policy is now posted on the Division of Research website.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.