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From: Pamela Webb <[pwebb@\[REDACTED\]](mailto:pwebb@[REDACTED])>
Subject: Re: Meeting with Huawei University Relations rep
Date: August 28, 2018 at 09:22:20 CDT
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Mos,

As you probably know, the federal government has not (at least, not at this time) put Huawei on its list of entities that are debarred or suspended from doing business with the federal government. I think that if the federal government were to debar Huawei or impose sanctions on institutions that accept Huawei funding, then it is possible that an institution-wide decision might be made (though I don't believe there is any precedent.)

The University takes the position that it is the choice of the PI (and their collegiate approval process) whether or not to accept funding from any given sponsor. John Finnegan has said that Public Health won't allow funding from Philip Morris, but SPA does not administer or monitor that. That's the only example I can think of related to a specific sponsor.

Huawei is clearly a hot topic and I suspect scrutiny is likely to increase. Having said that, there is no barrier at the present time should you wish to take funding - either as a gift or a sponsored project. I would, of course, recommend close scrutiny to make sure your gift is a GIFT (no quid pro quo) and if any funding came through as a sponsored project, we would give it special scrutiny as well to make sure there were no terms that were objectionable or overreaching.

I've talked to AI once about this already, and will again just to let him know this is an issue for you.

Pamela

On Mon, Aug 27, 2018 at 9:23 PM, Mostafa Kaveh <mos@> wrote:
David,

This is good to know. I have copied Pat and Pamela.

Pat and Pamela,

Given an existing sponsored project, should we be fully open to other sponsorships (most likely through gifts) by Huawei?. This is important for us to know since the company is interested in visiting to discuss such potential opportunities.

Thanks,

Mos

On Mon, Aug 27, 2018 at 7:37 PM, David Du <du@> wrote:
Hi Chris,

Thanks for the email. Huawei is currently a sponsor member of our NSF I/UCRC Center Research in Intelligent Storage. They have followed the rules defined by NSF and we are working closely with them on a collaborative research project.

David