

ACCRIP Timeline

2016-17

Chair, FEC

Issue	Description	Action
Fossil Fuels	Social harm caused by the fossil fuel industry and whether divestment from fossil fuels was the best response to climate change.	New subcommittee formed with new members on ACCRIP. Review, research and consultation resulted in a formal proposal to the President, made in December 2016. In January 2016 ACCRIP began consultations with the President on the proposal, for the formation of a task force that would look at environmental responsibility in investment and business practices of the university as a whole. Coverage of issue in BDH. This task force was announced at the end of April 2017, and is supposed to report in March 2018.
Proxy Resolutions	Proxy resolutions were brought before the committee.	Proxy resolutions voted on based on existing voting guidelines
Updating Proxy Resolutions	The last time that voting guidelines were reviewed was in 2007. Many of the guidelines were inadequate for the kinds of resolutions we were receiving.	Three voting guidelines, on human rights, political contributions and lobbying expenditures were specifically reviewed, and changes were voted on. These recommendations for changes in the voting guidelines have been submitted to the President.
Citizen's Bank	Students who wrote an open letter to the President calling for divestment from Citizen's Bank -for giving credit to Sunoco Logistics Partners, a company that is involved in building the Dakota Access, Bayou Bridge, Mariner East, and Trans-Pecos pipelines - have asked ACCRIP to receive their petition.	This petition will be reviewed by the committee in Fall 2017.
Chair	As Vazira Zamindar's term ended, new chair needed to be selected. However, another faculty member resigned and the third is on leave next year.	It was decided to select staff representative Katie Silberman as interim chair until new faculty members on the committee are acquainted with the issues and can take over from her.