G) Institutional Animal Care and Human Subjects Committee (IACHSC)(appointed)
   1) Function
      a) For Animal Care:
         (i) To be the institution's conscience on animal welfare concerns and to increase
             awareness of animal issues.
         (ii) To review and evaluate all protocols for the use of animals in research and
              teaching.
         (iii) To inspect animal facilities at least twice a year.
         (iv) To insure that procedures are the most humane possible.
         (v) To insure proper veterinary care for the animals.
         (vi) To regularly review the security of animal and research facilities.
         (vii) To review policies and procedures for monitoring animal care and use.
         (viii) To modify or eliminate questionable procedures.
         (ix) To assist in the instruction of personnel in humane techniques and the ethics of
              animal use.
      b) For Human Subjects Research:
         (i) To be the institution's conscience on issues of ethical research with human
             participants and increase awareness of ethical guidelines for research with
             human participants.
         (ii) To review and evaluate all protocols for the use of human subjects in
              research.
         (iii) To provide, in conjunction with the VPAA's office, a third party resource for
              participants who may feel their rights were violated.
         (iv) To assist in the instruction of personnel in the ethics of human subjects
              research
      c) To provide expertise, education, and guidance to professors, researchers, and officials
         for research with both animal and human subjects.
      d) To insure that no research or teaching program commences without IACHSC
         approval.
      e) To meet at regular intervals appropriate to the institution's program, but not less than
         annually.
      f) To provide a written report, at least annually, to the office of the VPAA, with copies
         to the Professional Relations committee and other responsible administrative officials
         on the status of the laboratory animal care and use program.

   2) Membership
      a) Due to the training requirements for service on the committee it is recommended
         that members be able to serve full 3-year term and can stay on the committee for
         multiple terms.
      b) Committee needs at least 5 members per federal guidelines title 45-part 46.
         (i) Chair (an individual affiliated with the instructional program who fulfills at
             least one of the categories listed below)
         (ii) Two members who have experience in research using animal subjects
         (iii) Two members who have experience in research using human subjects
         (iv) One member whose primary concern is in a nonscientific area
         (v) One community member not affiliated with Muskingum in any other way*
(vi) A veterinarian to oversee animal care*
(vii) One student member who will commit to a two (2) year term to provide consistency and due to the investment of time needed, ideally a Sophomore or Junior at initial appointment