

11 March 2025

TO: Research Policies Council Members: Hellen Agbevey, Onur Arugaslan, Mert Atilhan, Carrie Barrett, Patrick Bennett, Amy Bocko, Benjamin Brady, Christine Byrd-Jacobs, Christopher Cheatham, Lofton Durham, Angela Groves, Wanda Hadley, Michael Osei, Selim Ozyurek, Remzi Seker, Jesse Smith, Bilinda Straight, German Zarate-Sandez

Ex Officio: Anthony DeFulio

From: Andre Venter, Chair

**Research Policy Council
AGENDA**

Thursday, 13 March 2025, 2:30 to 3 p.m.
Walwood Commons – Bertha Davis Room 111W

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Research Policies Council – 9 January 2025 Minutes and 13 February Minutes
4. **Reports of Officers**
 - a. Chair Report – Venter
 - b. Ex Officio Report – DeFulio
5. **Reports of University Representatives**
 - a. Vice President for Research and Innovation – Seker
 - b. Graduate College Dean – Byrd-Jacobs
 - c. Office of Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs – Cheatham
6. **Reports of Councils/Committees Standing Committees**
 - a. Research Screening Committee Faculty Research and Creative Activities Award – Venter
7. **New Business**
 - a. Finalize Charge 2 (b) Recombinant or Synthetic DNA Biosafety Policy 17-50.7 – DeFulio
 - b. Discussion on Exemption from Future RPC review: Policies Under the Purview of WMU Office of Research and Innovation Mandated by External Authority – DeFulio
 - c. Faculty Research and Creative Activities Support Fund Research Active Department Chairs Eligibility – Venter
8. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. Memorandum of Action - Faculty Research and Creative Activities Support Fund Awards Name Changes – Venter
9. **Announcements**
10. **Adjournment**

COUNCILS ONLY: Elected members who cannot attend the meeting are asked to send a substitute of their choice who also represents their respective college. Non-elected members are not restricted as to whom they may designate to substitute for them.