
Research Policies Council
Minutes of 1 December 2022**Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Faculty Senate Research Policies Council was called to order at 2:30 p.m. on 1 December 2022 via Webex video conferencing by Andre Venter, chair.

Members in Attendance: Onur Arugaslan, Christine Byrd-Jacobs, Margarita Isabel Carrillo, Martha Councell-Vargas, Whitney DeCamp (designee for Acting Provost), Kristina Lemmer, Daria Orlowska, Paul Solomon, Andre Venter, Robert Wall Emerson, Kevin Wanner

Members Absent: Lori Brown, Wanda Hadley, Remzi Seker

Ex Officio(s) in Attendance: Anthony DeFulio, Mark Hurwitz

Quorum

A quorum was present.

Acceptance of Agenda

[MOTION] It was moved by DeCamp, seconded by DeFulio, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

The 10 November 2022 minutes were amended to correct one typographical error and a slight wording change.

[MOTION] It was moved by DeCamp, seconded by Hurwitz, to approve the minutes of 10 November 2022 as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Officers

Chair Venter discussed topics to report to the Faculty Senate meeting later today and asked for further input.

Ex Officio DeFulio did not have a report but shared the link for attending the Faculty Senate meeting virtually.

Reports of University Representatives

Due to Seker's absence, there was no report for Research and Innovation.

Byrd-Jacobs introduced Margarita Isabel Carrillo to RPC as a Graduate Student Association representative. This semester, 45 student travel grants were submitted, and 29 were funded. Twenty student research applications were submitted, and 15 were funded.

Reports of Council/Committee Standing Committees

Ex Officio Hurwitz provided the Research Screening Committee report, noting that FRACAA submissions open today.

Ex Officio Hurwitz and Council-Vargas provided the Preparation and Publication of Papers and Exhibition (PPP&E) report with updates to the language of the PPP&E guidance document. Ex Officio Hurwitz presented the changes to the council.

[MOTION] It was moved by Hurwitz, seconded by Councell-Vargas, to approve the PPP&E guidance document as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Ex Officio DeFulio, Chair Venter, and Wanner will informally canvass faculty regarding library research tools and report back to the council at a future date. A discussion was held regarding how to identify resources that are or are not needed, and to invite University Libraries personnel whose job it is to determine resource usage to meet with the council.

New Business

Due to Seker's absence, there were no reports on the Chips and Science Act, Research Security, and Conflict of Interest Disclosure.

Announcements

None.

Adjournment

[MOTION] It was moved by Councell-Vargas, seconded by Solomon, to adjourn the meeting at 3:08 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. The Research Policies Council will meet next on 12 January 2023, at 2:30 p.m. virtually via Webex.

Approval

Submitted by Robert Wall Emerson, Secretary

Minutes approved on 12 January 2023.