Research Council Minutes Thursday, November 1, 2012 2:00-3:00 p.m. 214 Hamilton Hall

McCoy, Tom	Jutila, Mark	Shaw, Joe
Bird, Elizabeth	Larsson, Laura	Stewart, Phil
Cloninger, Mary	Lawrence, Martin	Whitlock, Cathy
Gee, Regina	Leary, Myleen	Potvin, Martha
Hardy, Michele	Melland, Helen	Fox, Carl
Hays, Rick	Ruff, William	Larsen, Ron
Myers, Carrie (PC)		Rimpau, Jim

I.Call to Order by Dr. McCoy

- II.Approval of Minutes: September 27, 2012 and October 4, 2012 meetings tabled to next meeting
- III.Information/Announcements
 - Need Research Council member to volunteer to attend Planning Council meetings.
 - Carrie Myers, representative from Professional Council will attend Research Council meeting

IV.Topics for Discussion

• MUS-STAC plan

(http://www.mus.edu/che/arsa/Research/MUSSTACplan.pdf)

- The MUS-STAC plan is a requirement from NSF with regard to the agency making EPSCoR funding decisions
- Current MUS-STAC was written in 2009 and approved by the BOR in 2011
 - In preparation of next EPSCoR proposal, EPSCoR State committee is starting to review current MUS-STAC plan
- RC Members asked to review and suggest possible revisions to research areas and content – sending all suggestions to Chair and Linda who will summarize into one document
- Research Council input/feedback/recommendations into the new MSU Strategic Plan
 - o Identifying major research focus areas
 - Process
 - Criteria
 - Input
 - Need Research Strategies under each Metric: discussion and suggestions:
 - D.1.1. –

- Identify and hire strong, full professors to establish research core, the bring existing faculty into that core
- Endowed Chairs
- Need strategic plan on space assignments
- Graduate Student support
- D.1.1.
 - Provide process for pre-emptive retention packages to prevent "raiding"
 - Also provide process for opportunity hires
- D.1.2.
 - Require departments to nominate faculty for national fellowships/awards
 - Requiring certain number of nominations every year
 - Need strong focus on celebrating/publishing awards/fellowships received
 - Announce new awards through VPR office
 - Revise definition of "Affiliate" Appointments to allow ability to appoint senior professors
 - Establish promotion process for new Affiliate appointments to research faculty appointments
 - Establish new appointment for individuals wanting library access

V.Topics for next meetings' discussion

• Research Council input/feedback/recommendations into the new MSU Strategic Plan - continuation

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 15, 2012, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in 214 Hamilton Hall