Research Council Minutes Thursday, January 17, 2013 2:00-3:00 p.m. 214 Hamilton Hall

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

I.Call to Order

II.Approval of Minutes: November 15, 2012 and January 3, 2013

Minutes approved

III.Information/Announcements

IV. Topics for Discussion

- MSU Strategic Plan update
 - o Members reviewed and revised draft Research Strategic Plan
 - o Dr. McCoy will provide revised and updated Research Strategic Plan at next RC meeting for review/comments
 - Goal for Research Strategic Plan and Academic Strategic Plan is that both should be and will be used by departments this spring semester in writing their departmental strategic plans
- Subcommittee report: Process for prioritization of research focus areas
 - o Joe Shaw, chair, provided update
 - Subcommittee identified tasks:
 - What is primary goal for identifying research focus areas?
 - How to identify process to determine research focus areas?
 - How to measure research activity? What data/criteria to use to build case for research focus areas?
 - Subcommittee will contact Leslie Schmidt and Chris Fastnow for data gathering
- Subcommittee report: Criteria for allocation of research lab space
 - o Michele Hardy, chair, provided update
 - Subcommittee reviewed several peer university's policies/procedures
 - Washington State University has a well-written, clearly spelled out policy that subcommittee members are using as a basic template for a new MSU policy
 - Dr. Hardy will forward the draft MSU policy to RC membership for review/comment

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 7, 2013, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in 214 Hamilton Hall