6 September 2018

TO: Research Policies Council Members
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    Jill Rowe
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GUEST: Richard Gershon, Faculty Senate President
FROM: Susan Steuer, Chair
RE: Meeting Notice and Agenda

RESEARCH POLICIES COUNCIL
Thursday, 13 September 2018, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., Faculty Lounge, Bernhard Center

PROPOSED AGENDA

A. Procedural Items
1. Welcome and Introduction of new members and guests
2. Acceptance of the Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of 17 May 2018

B. Action Items
1. Review of RPC role (Charge #1) – Richard Gershon
2. Discussion with Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Jennifer Bott
3. Approve Faculty Research and Creative Activities Support Fund (FRACASF) funding distribution
4. Statement for distribution/presentation to faculty by RPC members
5. Describe workplan 2018-19 charges
6. Support for Faculty Scholar Award (SFSA) Workshop Development and brainstorming for best practices (Charge #3) – Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR)
7. Discuss strategies/subcommittees to work on Charge #4:
   a. determining how WMU groups define interdisciplinary
   b. complete research equipment inventory and consider ways to develop research interest inventory
   c. identify strategies to develop collaboration among disciplines, promoting diversity and inclusion
   d. develop recommendations for best practices to promote cluster hires and collaboration at the department and college levels
8. Nominate representative to Honorary Degree Committee
9. Updates and concerns from the floor

C. Information Items
1. Highlights of WMU Research this month – OVPR
2. Research Policies and Procedures update – OVPR

D. Other
1. Council Chair – Steuer
2. Office of the Vice President for Research – OVPR
3. Dean of the Graduate College – Stapleton

E. Adjournment

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.

Richard Gershon, Sherine Obare, WMU-AAUP, Graduate Student Association