Research Council Minutes
Thursday, September 29, 2011
2:00-3:00 p.m.
214 Hamilton Hall

✓ McCoy, Tom ✓ Johnson, Cheryl ✓ Shaw, Joe
Black, Laura-unavailable Kuntz, Sandy Whitlock, Cathy-unavailable
Cloninger, Mary-unavailable Gee, Regina Lawrence, Martin
✓ Douglas, Trevor Jutila, Mark-unavailable Potvin, Martha-unavailable
Erickson, Joanne-unavailable ✓ Marley, Robert Yarnell, Allen-unavailable
Hays, Rick-unavailable ✓ Pascual, David ✓ Fox, Carl

VISITORS: Marilyn Lockhart

I. Call to Order: 2:10 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes of September 1, 2011 meeting - approved

III. Information/Announcements

➢ October 6 meeting is cancelled; next meeting will be October 20
➢ State EPSCoR Meeting: Wednesday, Oct 5, through Thursday, Oct 6
  a) Oct 5 in evening: Reception/Dinner with Joe Shaw, keynote speaker
    and Randy Equall, invited to be keynote speaker, uncertain

IV. Topics for Discussion

➢ Updates from Subcommittees
  a) Awards Review Subcommittee: Carl Fox, Chair, gave summary of
     proposals received in response to new RFP, Enhancement of Graduate
     Education. The Subcommittee will present recommendations to Provost
     and VP for Research.
  b) Interdisciplinary Research Subcommittee: members have met, but Chair
     not present today.
  c) Strategic Planning Subcommittee: Robert Marley, Chair, indicated the
     members have not yet met, will meet toward end of October.

➢ Input to strategic planning process regarding research
a) The President wants Research Council to make recommendations to the MSU Strategic Planning Committee.

b) RC’s Strategic Planning Subcommittee will work on identifying goals for research and drafting recommendations for Research Council to present to the MSU Strategic Planning Council.

- Facilitating Interdisciplinary Research
  a) Institute of the Environment (IoE) will be presented to Faculty Senate for approval
  b) IoE will then be presented to Board of Regents for approval

- Social Sciences Initiative – tabled until next meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 3:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 20, 2011, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in 214 Hamilton Hall