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

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

GUESTS: Becky Mahurin, Pam Merrell, Leslie Schmidt

I. Call to Order: 2:05 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2012 -- approved

III. Information/Announcements
   - Update on presentation of Research Council’s Primary Research Goal to the Strategic Planning Committee
   - Upcoming Events: Mandatory Advanced PI Training – scheduled in April
     OSP will provide dates and registration information

IV. Topics for Discussion
   - Assignment of Intellectual Property
     o Guests: Becky Mahurin, Pam Merrell, Leslie Schmidt
       ▪ Information provided regarding Supreme Court’s recent ruling in Stanford v. Roche and how MSU is responding to decision
       ▪ MSU will require all employees who design, conduct and report research to sign an Assignment of Intellectual Property agreement.
       ▪ Advanced PI Training in April and New Faculty Orientation in August will include information on this topic
   - America Invents Act
     o Guests: Becky Mahurin
       ▪ Dr. Mahurin provided Science article, *The America Invents Act for Academic Scientists*, (posted on Research Council website)
       ▪ Overview presented of the Act, how it affects MSU’s faculty and Technology Transfer Office

V. Additional Topic for Discussion
   - Conflict of Interest policy change by NIH
     o Guests: Pam Merrell
       ▪ Ms. Merrell provided brief overview of the policy changes by NIH regarding conflicts of interest.
       ▪ Compliance deadline is August 24, 2012
       ▪ Advanced PI Training will include this topic

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 22, 2012, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in 214 Hamilton Hall