**Research Council Minutes  
Thursday, January 8, 2015  
3:00-4:30 p.m.  
Hamilton Hall, room 214**

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| Reijo Pera, Renee | Idzerda, Yves | Ragain, Melissa |
| Arlitsch, Kenning | June, Ron | Whitlock, Cathy |
| Bekkerman, Anton | Kinion, Elizabeth | Young, Mark |
| Christopher, Suzanne | Kohler, Bern | Watts, Myles-rep from Planning Council |
| Cloninger, Mary | Leary, Myleen | Hoo, Karlene |
| Hilmer, Jonathan | Peyton, Brent | Kearns, Chis |
|  |  | Potvin, Martha |
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1. Call to Order

1. Approval of Minutes: December 4, 2014 meeting minutes - approved

1. Information/Announcements
2. Topics for Discussion
3. Research space policy is being presented to UPDate MSU Space Planning committee, then will come back to Research Council for approval
4. Overview and discussion regarding grant proposal submissions and F&A returns
   * + Increased number of grant proposal submissions
     + Decrease in F&A rate average
5. RED FY15 budget situation
   * + Recognizes the need to invest in ITC services to support research
     + Recognizes the need to invest in senior level faculty hires
     + RED has invested in beefing up Pre-Award Services
     + 2015 Research plan is to develop 5 research focus areas

**Next Meeting: Thursday, February 5, 2015, @ 3:00pm, 214 Hamilton Hall**