

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