

**Research Council Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 27, 2012**  
**2:00-3:00 p.m.**  
**President's Conference room**

McCoy, Tom	Jutila, Mark	Shaw, Joe
Bird, Elizabeth	Larsson, Laura	Stewart, Phil
Cloninger, Mary	Lawrence, Martin	Whitlock, Cathy
Gee, Regina	Leary, Myleen	Potvin, Martha
Hardy, Michele	Melland, Helen	Fox, Carl
Hays, Rick	Ruff, William	Larsen, Ron
		Rimpau, Jim

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I.Call to Order

II.Approval of Minutes for July 12, 2012 meeting and August 13, 2012 meeting: both sets of minutes approved

III.Information/Announcements

IV.Topics for Discussion

- President Waded Cruzado
  - Congratulations to faculty on FY12 OSP expenditures
  - New Strategic Plan, *Mountains & Minds: Learners and Leaders*
    - Where we are going, Use resources better, Initiate conversations about MSU, focus on integration which is key component of Strategic Plan
    - Encourage and Improve Ph.D. productivity
    - Identify process to recognize areas of strength that MSU has now and in the future
- Q&A:
  - Joint Faculty appointments?
  - RC recommendations on enhancing graduate education?
  - RC input/feedback/recommendations into new Strategic Plan?
  - RC Interdisciplinary Research recommendations?

- Faculty Awards: RC Awards Review subcommittee
  - CHAIR: Phil Stewart
    - Members: Mary Cloninger  
Carl Fox  
Regina Gee  
Michele Hardy  
William Ruff

Deadline for recommendations to Provost and VPR: 11/15/12

- Discussion of topics for RC for AY12/13
  - Awards to recognize faculty for grants achievements

**Next Meeting: Thursday, October 4, 2012, from 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
in 214 Hamilton Hall**