

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE

RESEARCH POLICIES COUNCIL  
Minutes of 7 December 2017

Members Present: Osama Abudayyeh, Onur Arugaslan, Steve Bertman, Stevens Bonhomme, Chris Coryn, Anthony DeFulio, Muralidhar Ghantasala, Willem Homan, Katherine Joslin, James Kiddle (for Andre Venter), Betty McKain (for Patti VanWalbeck), Sherine Obare, Jill Rowe, Paul Solomon, Sue Steuer  
Members Absent: Christine Byrd-Jacobs, Damon Chambers, Martha Councill-Vargas

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. by Chair Sue Steuer.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Acceptance of the Agenda

A motion was made by Rowe to accept the agenda, seconded by Joslin. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Joslin, seconded by Ghantasala, to approve the minutes of 9 November 2017. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

Research Policies Council/International Education Council Committee; Notification of Survey – Chris Coryn

The committee (chaired by Mary Lagerwey) has met twice. Coryn will have a draft of the survey in January.

Research Tools Subcommittee – Muralidhar K. Ghantasala

Ghantasala reported on a recent meeting of the committee, about research tools. Obare discussed with the council methodologies to most efficiently assess tools on campus. She reported that there are existing lists. There was discussion as to