

**Research Council Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 9, 2017**  
**3:30pm – 5:00pm**  
**President’s Conference Room**

VOTING:

Reijo Pera, Renee  
Arlitsch, Kenning  
Beamish, Rollin  
Bekkerman, Anton  
Cloninger, Mary  
Gee, Regina  
June, Ron/Stephanie McCalla

Kinion Elizabeth  
Peyton, Brent/Robin Gerlach  
Ruff, William  
Thorsen, Andreas  
Walk, Seth  
Wiedenheft, Blake

NON-VOTING:

Hoo, Karlene  
Leist, Terry  
VPSS rep: Mitchell, Jim  
Mokwa, Bob  
Schmidt, Leslie  
Sheehan, Jerry/Jonathan Hilmer  
Singel, David

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes: December 12, 2017

- A discussion of how papers were reviewed and if they go through a peer review process which doesn't acknowledge the funding agency. Papers do not go through a peer review process and is mostly distributed by the authors. Question was asked if the Koch Foundation requires funding acknowledgement.
- After the meeting Leslie Schmidt investigated whether acknowledgement of the funding was needed and determined it was not needed.
- Approved

III. Quarterly Update of Research Expenditures

- Leslie provided an explanation of the document title *College Research Expenditures FY18 through Quarter 2*.
- Leslie will work on continuing distribution to all people deemed necessary across campus.
- Ron June was interested in the percent change but there is no historical data to complete that calculation.
- Blake cheered for Micro & Immunology.
- If a 10% decline holds up to next year it is not minor and raises the question of whether we build in a buffer to absorb money being issued at different time points versus letting the fluctuations fly.
- Bill Ruff questioned the amount awarded versus the burn rate of the award and wanted to know if there was a way to breakout these numbers separately.
- This is just to be used as a tool to help create a continual 3 year Annual Report and is to be used to see possible trends and to help identify and rectify problems before they become urgent.

IV. Discussion of BOR's Policy and Procedures Manual, Policy 218.4

- We need to review the current Centers & Institutes coming up with a set of guidelines including:
  - How do we monitor productivity
  - Do we sunset or repurpose a center
- Leslie will look at existing centers and institutes and will get back to us at the next meeting with a list of each that need to be considered for sunseting or repurposing.
- Robin and Bill will present an overview of the current policies

V. Invitation to Submit Proposals for MSU Research Expansion Funds

VI. HASS 2018 Request for Proposals

VII. Discussion for Future Strategic Research Initiatives

- Needs a sub-committee to review the HASS Proposals

**Next Meeting March 13, 2018, 3:30pm,  
President's Conference Room**