

**University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee
RESEARCH POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2019-2020 Annual Report**

Members:

Name	Rank	Department	Term Ends
Liam Callanan	FAC	English	2022
Robin Mello, Chair	FAC	Theatre	2022
Kristin Roosevelt	AS	School of Education	2022
Alan Wiseman	FAC	Physics	2022
Abigail Amissah-Arthur ¹	AS	College of Health Sciences	2021
Thomas Holbrook ²	FAC	Political Science	2021
Brooke Slavens	FAC	Occupational Therapy	2021
Doug Stafford	AS	Chemistry/Biochemistry	2021
Razia Azen	FAC	Educational Psychology	2020
Victoria Moerchen ³	FAC	Kinesiology	2020
Valerica Raicu ⁴	FAC	Physics	2020
David Divalerio	FAC	History (GFC Rep)	2020
Marija Gajdardziska-Josifovska	Dean	Graduate School	2020
Mark Harris	Int VP	Vice Provost for Research	2020
Kate Mollen	Int Dir	Office of Sponsored Programs	2020

1 Repl L. Kopecky (2021-E)

2 Repl T. Johnson (2021-E)

3 Repl T. Kodak (2020-E)

4 Repl. M. Zimmer (2020-A)

Charter:

Functions/ Responsibilities:

A3.7 Research Policy and Advisory Committee

- (1) Membership. Twelve voting members as follows: six elected faculty members, at least one from each division; a representative of the Graduate Faculty Committee; one elected member of the Academic Staff who is engaged in research activities; two faculty members and two members of the academic staff appointed by the Chancellor.

In addition, the administrative director of sponsored research, the university executive officer in charge of research (e.g. Vice Provost for Research), and the university executive officer in charge of graduate education (e.g. Dean of the Graduate School) serve as ex-officio members.

(Document 2169, 12/17/98; UWM Administration approval, 12/30/98)

(Editorially revised: Document 2319, 12/20/01; UWM Administration approval, 12/28/01)

(Document 2561, 2/15/07; UWM Administration approval, 3/15/07)

(Editorially revised, 5/16/07)

(Document 2941, 02/20/14; UWM Administration approval, 03/24/14)

(2) Functions

- (a) On its own initiative, or in cooperation with other faculty committees, advises the Chancellor, the Provost, the Faculty Senate, and the university executive officer in charge of research (e.g. Vice Provost for Research), and the university executive officer in charge of graduate education (e.g. Dean of the Graduate School) on matters of research policy, procedures, and infrastructure to promote and advocate for the growth of research, graduate education and scholarship at UWM.
- (b) Recommends overall allocation of resources for research at UWM, and reviews the operation of all university research units, in order to determine whether the programs and activities are both effective and consistent with the mission and research goals of the University.
- (c) Recommends and reviews overall University policy governing all mandated review boards within UWM (e.g., Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects, Institutional Safety and Hazards Committee, etc.)

(Document 1102, 5/11/78; UWM Administration approval, 5/17/78)

(Document 1680, 9/21/89; UWM Administration approval, 10/6/89)

(Document 1790, 10/17/91; UWM Administration approval, 10/31/91)

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Meetings:

The RPAC met on the following dates:

September 23, 2019

November 4, 2019

December 2, 2019

February 3, 2020

March 2, 2020

May 11, 2020

Summary of activities:

Throughout the year, the committee received updates or presentations on these topics, followed by discussion:

- Areas of research administration involving compliance with federal and/or Board of Regents regulations

- New budget model's implications for research
- Roles and responsibilities in developing and managing sponsored projects
- Confirmation that the Division of General Studies may have an elected representative on the RPAC without needing to change the committee charter
- Internal funding programs administered by the Office of Research
- Lubar Entrepreneurship Center
- UWM Research Foundation
- Role of the UWM Libraries in supporting research
- Select results of the Graduate Student Experience at a Research University survey (focusing on doctoral students)
- Activities of the Office of Undergraduate Research and retention and graduation rates related to OUR programs
- Supporting collaborative research
- Communication plan for promoting UWM's research
- Establishing safety guidelines and setting priorities in re-opening research facilities during the COVID-19 pandemic

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