

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
Research Policy and Advisory Committee

Minutes

February 3, 2020; 10:00 a.m.

Kenwood IRC 2175

1. Call to order and approval of the agenda

Robin Mello called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present:

Abigail Amisshah-Arthur, Liam Callanan, David DiValerio (GFC Representative), Mark Harris (ex officio), Tom Holbrook, Robin Mello (chair), Kate Mollen (ex officio), Vali Raicu, Kristin Roosevelt (via Zoom), Brooke Slavens (via Zoom), Doug Stafford, Alan Wiseman

Members Absent:

Razia Azen, Marija Gajdardziska-Josifovska (ex officio), Victoria Moerchen

Guests:

Kathleen Koch, Kristian O'Connor, Kari Whittenger-Keith (Office of Research)

The agenda was approved as distributed.

2. Announcements

There were no announcements.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting were approved with one correction – Kristin Roosevelt was present (via Zoom).

4. Office of Undergraduate Research

Nigel Rothfels, Director of the Office of Undergraduate Research, gave a presentation on the activities of the office and retention and graduation rates related to OUR programs in general. The slide deck was sent to members following the meeting. The OUR website is a good source for additional information <https://uwm.edu/our/>.

5. Updates from the chair

Robin Mello, RPAC chair, expressed an interest in having the committee play a stronger advocacy role in supporting research at UWM. This will be the focus of the next meeting.

6. Updates from the Office of Research

Mark Harris briefly spoke about the following:

- Some school/college research plans (or revisions of earlier, incomplete plans) still have not been submitted. Once all are received, a summary of the plans will be scheduled for a future RPAC agenda.
- The Office will soon release this year's call for proposals for collaborative research teams. Newly renamed TIP (Team Initiation Program), it allows the entire award budget to be used toward a pilot project, but also requires work on a collaboration plan and other collaboration readiness exercises before funding will be released.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Kathleen Koch