THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
Research Policy and Advisory Committee

**Minutes**
October 12, 2023, meeting
**Via Microsoft Teams**

1. **Call to order**
   Michael Pauers called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

   Members Present:
   Madhusudan Dey, David DiValerio, Jennifer Haas, Jennifer Herriges, Joshua Mersky, Joseph Mougel, Michael Pauers, and Murad Taani

   Members Absent:
   Paul Brodwin, Ann Hanlon, and Tory McCoy

   Guests:
   Andrew Graettinger (College of Engineering & Applied Science); Reed Heintzkill, Anne Kissack, Kathleen Koch, Cindy Marifke, Jeremy Miner, Jeffrey Nytes, Kris O'Connor (ex officio), Michelle Schoenecker, and Sam Westcott (ex officio) (Office of Research)

2. **Automatic Consent**
   A. Agenda
   B. Minutes of the September 21, 2023, meeting

3. **Past Business/Old Business**
   None

4. **Approval of Research Integrity Training Policy**
   Kris O'Connor summarized the policy by stating that UWM personnel involved in research are expected to practice research integrity, abiding by established state and federal laws, professional norms, and ethical principles in the performance of their scholarly activities.

   UWM requires faculty and staff who are eligible to serve as Principal Investigators to complete relevant institutionally required research integrity training. The required training modules are determined by the Provost.

   A motion was made and seconded to approve the policy. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. **Updates from the Office of Research**
   Anne Kissack shared information about the UWM branded PIVOT-RP website. UWM has subscribed to the PIVOT platform for years, but it has been underutilized. It offers the broadest global coverage of available funding opportunities in a single, editorially curated database. It also offers the ability to search thousands of conferences that are requesting "call for papers" to present.

The Office of Research Development Services offers group presentations, one-on-one trainings, and drop-in office hours via TEAMS for new and on-going PIVOT users.

6. **Review of Research Infrastructure Planning Activities**
Kris O'Connor discussed the peer review that was completed by the National Council of University Research Administrators to examine all aspects of UWM's research support operations to optimize support for UWM's status as an R1 research university.

The main recommendations were:

- Develop strategy to provide better local support for PIs across the campus.
- Develop more robust core/shared facilities.
- Create a multi-year strategic plan for advancing research at UWM that identifies institutional priorities and strategies.

Kris discussed developing strategic research areas or impact areas for UWM. A sample of key research areas from other universities were presented as examples. It was proposed that a task force of faculty, staff, and administrators could work on this in the future.

7. **General Good and Welfare**
None

8. **Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 4:13 p.m.