

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
Research Policy and Advisory Committee

Minutes

November 22, 2024, meeting

Via Microsoft Teams

1. Call to order

Tori McCoy called the meeting to order at 9:30 am

Members Present:

Anna Benko, Rina Ghose, Jennifer Herriges, Jenny Hutton, Tori McCoy, Kris O'Connor (ex Officio), Nigel Rothfels (ex Officio), Melissa Tesch, and Sam Westcott (ex Officio)

Members Absent:

Madhusudan Dey, Joshua Mersky, Joseph Mougel, Murad Taani,

Guests:

Scott Genung (Associate Vice Chancellor for IT and CIO), Dan Siercks (Interim Director, UWM Research Computing), Ben Church (ITPC Liaison), Reed Heintzkill, Anne Kissack, Kathleen Koch, Jeff Nytes, and Michelle Schoenecker

2. Automatic Consent

- A. Agenda
- B. Minutes of the October 23, 2024, meeting

3. Chair Announcement

Tori McCoy reminded everyone that the Research Information Technology Subcommittee is looking for an RPAC liaison. Anna Benko has volunteered.

4. Research Information Technology Q&A

Scott Genung and Dan Siercks are looking for feedback on how research can be supported and what technologies UWM can invest in to create opportunities.

A research town hall is being planned for January 2025 to promote the IT capabilities that UWM currently has.

5. Approval of Research Data Management Policy

Approved unanimously.

6. Discussion of Potential Authorship Policy

Kris O'Connor discussed that research misconduct applies to three things: falsification of data, fabrication of data, or plagiarism. At the federal level, they say that an authorship dispute doesn't count under the idea of plagiarism.

Other research institutions have authorship policies and detail a process to handle complaints that fall outside of research misconduct. This would fit within the larger discussion of research integrity.

The sample authorship policies launch some general principles, such as how to handle partnerships and suggested best practices. They discuss having communication from the start of who will be senior author, corresponding authors, etc. Dispute resolution and disciplinary actions are also included in the policies.

Kris asked the committee if they think UWM would benefit from having an authorship policy. Rina Ghose and Anna Benko liked the idea. The goal is to have a draft policy for the committee in February 2025.

7. Updates from the Office of Research

Kris O'Connor reminded everyone to complete the Research Integrity training.

Jeff Nytes shared that a policy regarding foreign malign talent recruitment programs will be coming to the RPAC.

A save the date announcement will be sent for an NIH grant writing workshop that will be held on January 16, 2025.

Kris shared with the group a draft of an update to the 2030 work in regard to expanding our Research and Innovation impact.

Kathleen Koch requested a volunteer to represent the RPAC in February for the review of the Center for Gravitation, Cosmology, and Astrophysics on February 12, 2025.

8. General Good and Welfare

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 10:30 am.