

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
Research Policy and Advisory Committee

Minutes

January 22, 2025, meeting

Via Microsoft Teams

1. Call to order

Tori McCoy called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm

Members Present:

Anna Benko, Madhusudan Dey, Rina Ghose, Jennifer Herriges, Tori McCoy, Joshua Mersky, Joseph Mougel, Murad Taani, Kris O'Connor (ex Officio), Nigel Rothfels (ex Officio), and Sam Westcott (ex Officio)

Members Absent:

Jenny Hutton and Melissa Tesch

Guests:

Reed Heintzkill, Anne Kissack, Kathleen Koch, Cindy Marifke, Jeremy Miner, Jeff Nytes, and Michelle Schoenecker

2. Automatic Consent

- A. Agenda
- B. November 22, 2024, meeting minutes

3. Discussion of Foreign Talent Recruitment Policy and Disclosure Policy

Jeff Nytes outlined the UWM Malign Foreign Talent Recruitment Program Policy to comply with federal law requirements. It prohibits all UWM personnel from participating in malign foreign talent recruitment programs (MFTRP). This policy will apply to all UWM personnel, including PIs, faculty, staff, and student employees. Institutional certification or attestation will be included as well.

Jeff also outlined the UWM Disclosure of Other Support Policy to comply with federal requirements concerning disclosure of other support, current and pending appointments, and activities.

These will be brought to the RPAC in February for a vote.

4. Preliminary Discussion of Research Center Review Policy

The Milwaukee Institute for Drug Discovery (MIDD) was reviewed in February 2024. Kris O'Connor and Kathleen Koch summarized the Research Center/Institute Review Policy (SAAP 14-4), so the committee members have context while reading the MIDD reports from the Reviewers, the Director and the Dean. It will be sent to the committee members for discussion at the next RPAC meeting.

Potentially, the Institute for Physical Infrastructure and Transportation and the Institute for Child and Family Wellbeing could be reviewed next. The Office of Research would contact the deans and directors to discuss the process.

5. Updates from the Office of Research

Kris O'Connor shared that the new Vice Provost for Research, Ali Abedi, starts on June 2, 2025.

The Research Data Management policy that was approved at the last RPAC meeting will go to the Senate tomorrow for approval.

Nigel Rothfels is working on an authorship policy draft that will be discussed at a future RPAC meeting.

Michelle Schoenecker announced that an NSF Workshop is scheduled for February 21, 2025. Details will be announced soon.

Jeremy Miner shared that an updated budget tool was posted on the website on December 19, 2024. It should be used when applying for grants.

Jeff Nytes discussed the research security training that is available in Canvas. The Research Misconduct Policy needs to be updated to be compliant with new requirements from the federal Office of Research Integrity. Those changes will be presented to the RPAC later this year.

6. General Good and Welfare

None

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 3:52 pm.