

## REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Research Policy Committee (David Cuillier, chair)

DATE: November 7, 2022

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The RPC has made headway in the issues pertaining to F&A distributions to principal investigators (PIs). The committee began working through the issues on Sept. 26. Chair David Cuillier provided an update on RPC activities to SPBAC on Oct. 19. Feedback was gathered through an online survey from Faculty Senate members, PIs, and college budget officers, and summarized in an Oct. 27 [report](#). Also, the committee contacted each college budget officer to gather data on how they distributed F&A before AIB and how it will be done moving forward, and that datasheet should be finished by mid-November. Most recently, the RPC met Oct. 31, offering budget officers a chance to provide their perspectives (none showed up, but we got an array of comments from the online feedback form). The committee at its Oct. 31 meeting then honed its recommendations and Chair Cuillier will craft a final report for final consideration at the RPC's Nov. 28 meeting, to then be provided to the Faculty Senate for consideration at its Dec. 5 meeting.

### GOALS:

It is our goal to complete the recommendations on F&A distributions to PIs at our Nov. 28 meeting, craft the memo for the Faculty Senate before its Dec. 5 meeting, and then tackle:

1. How the university's conflict of interest policies and practices affect researchers.
2. Changes in the "Research Scholar" title.
3. The impact of AIB on research, as well as on Research, Innovation & Impact.
4. Follow up previous survey research by the committee on how researchers on campus view the campus core research facilities.