

## REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Research Policy Committee (David Cuillier, chair)

DATE: January 23, 2023

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The RPC provided its [recommendations](#) to the Faculty Senate at its Dec. 5 meeting regarding direct distributions to researchers from funds generated from their facilities and administration portion of their grants. We ask the Faculty Senate to consider approving those recommendations at its Jan. 23 meeting. The provost will then provide her thoughts on the recommendations, possibly disagreeing with some of them. Discussion between the RPC/Senate and provost may continue through the semester.

Dr. Lucy Ziurys of the College of Science joined the committee, providing representation for the College of Science.

### GOALS:

For the rest of the spring, we are working on the following:

1. How the university's conflict of interest policies and practices affect researchers. We will meet with the Office for Responsible Outside Interests, under Research, Innovation & Impact, on Jan. 30, to learn more, and are soliciting feedback from faculty.
2. Changes in the "Research Scholar" title, particularly in the medical colleges.
3. The impact of AIB on research, as well as on Research, Innovation & Impact. We will meet with Dr. Betsy Cantwell on Feb. 27 to hear her perspectives.
4. Follow up previous survey research by the committee on how researchers on campus view the campus core research facilities. I have joined an advisory committee, chaired by Dr. Elliott Cheu, tasked with providing feedback on the core facilities.