

Agenda:

Electing a chair + volunteer to take minutes

Chair = James Peyton Jones

Assistant Chair = Jacob Elmer

Fleshing out the role and structure of the new RPC..

Review RPC Proposal

RPC is a committee of faculty congress – we would prefer it that way instead of being a University committee to preserve control and autonomy (from the University)

Proposed membership of the committee:

CLAS = 3 (higher diversity of research, so needs more representation)

COE = 2

NURSING = 2

VSB = 2

AT LARGE = 3 (allows other schools/departments/colleges to participate if relevant)

GRAD STUDENTS = 1 (white paper)

Research Support Institute Whitepaper – proposed by Amanda Grannas in response to earlier FC suggestions (**previously circulated**)

Fears of just adding more administration for the sake of administration

This new center must serve new purposes or functions that don't currently exist

The institute can centralize some things (e.g., travel funding), but it also should not eliminate/replace department or college-specific programs that currently work well (e.g., travel)

Is there an analogous type of center at another school (with an emerging research program)?

Response is positive, but needs some caveats.

Proposal: Try a 3 year pilot program for the center. Keep it if it works, otherwise eliminate it.

Primary concerns: centralization, redundancy, irrelevance to some departments

New Research Policies affe

Set up a meeting again in 3 weeks, try to meet biweekly to review existing policies