

Appalachian State University  
[University Research Council](#)

November 28, 2023

Approved Minutes

Meeting time: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Christine convenes the meeting at 4:01 pm.

**Present:** William Armstrong, Becki Battista, Elaine Berry, Gabe Casale, Nicholas Cline, Karen Fletcher, Reza Foroughi, Ross Gosky, Dennis Guignet, Adam Hege, Christine Hendren, Charna Howson, Ellen Lamont, Shanté Mathes, Gary McCullough, Jennifer McGee, Chantee Thrill, John Wiswell, Twila Wingrove, Andres Tellez

**Excused:** Ann Kaplan, Heather Waldroup

**Staff:** Kate Hoffman

### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion 1: Approve September minutes (McGee, Wiswell)  
16 approve and 3 abstain. Meeting minutes approved.

Motion 2: Approve October minutes (Wiswell, McGee)  
17 approve and 2 abstain. Meeting minutes approved

### **New Business**

#### **URC Grant Recommendations - Karen Fletcher**

Motion 3: Recommend the VPRI to fund all applications marked “definitely fund” in the amount of \$41,696 (Armstrong, Hege). Motion passes unanimously.

Chairs of the panels summarize the additional applications to be considered for funding.

Motion 4: Recommend the VPRI to approve the full funding amount allowable for additional applications. (Armstrong, Cline). Discussion. Motion rescinded by Armstrong.

Motion 5: Recommend the VPRI approve full amount of additional funding in the amount of \$13,230 for a total of funding amount of \$54,926 (Armstrong, Wiswell)  
13 approve and 5 disapprove - Motion passes.

#### **Strategic Plan for RSCA Implementation Plan Update - Gabe Casale**

VPRI Presentation Campus Sessions upcoming. Get the word out.

[Links](#) on IRAP’s website contain:

- A [feedback form](#)
- The call for areas of excellence is open until May.
- Invite the VPRI to an academic department or unit meeting

### **Policy Interactions Updates: Policies for URC Engagement - Adam Hege**

#### [Policy Interaction Flow Chart](#)

Spring semester policies of interest [Policy Table](#):

General Counsel: Payment to Human Subjects, Data Ownership  
URC Buyout

### **Liaison Letters Followup Information - Adam Hege**

Liaison letter information will be drafted to include the policy topics being explored in the Spring.

### **Announcements**

Christine Hendren

Optional end-of-semester social at SouthEnd, 747 West King Street

Grace Plummer will be joining future meetings as an administrative member representing RIEEE.

General Counsel will be joining for URC's policy meetings. This will be an interactive process to hear feedback from this membership. There will be breakout rooms. Feedback may be sent to Christine, Karen, and Adam. These discussions may necessitate offline conversations as well.

Adjournment (Hege, Armstrong) at 4:53 pm