

**MTU Research Advisory Council**  
**May 14, 2002 - 11:00 am**  
**Room 305 Admin**  
**Minutes**

***Present:***

Dave Reed, Vice President for Research  
Anita Quinn, Research & Sponsored Programs  
Bruce Rafert, Graduate School  
Don Beck, Sciences & Arts  
Soner Onder, Sciences & Arts

Neil Hutzler, College of Engineering  
Terry McNinch, College of Engineering  
Marilyn Urion, Graduate School  
Joanne Polzien, VP for Research Office

1. Approval of March 19 Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

2. % of Effort

Anita handed out a draft Effort Estimating and Verification chart . Need to look at this in three ways: how to estimate, how to charge, and how to verify. The chart will be updated by removing the hours and months columns and keeping the estimating budget separate from certification side. Certification forms are sent out for signatures. It was asked what would happen if someone didn't sign the certification form. A policy needs to be developed. An education program needs to be developed (RSP, RA, and HR)

3. GACS

Top level goals: PhD - goal of 370 (280 current), Grad - goal of 750 (670 current). Would like to triple GRA by 2010. Other strategic goals: good start-up, GA for new faculty, stipend growth (60% of starting salaries), "young faculty."

Issues:

- a) how to communicate what GACS is?
- b) is GACS doing all it can do to grow grad school?
- c) is GACS doing all it can to promote total enrollment?
- d) more incentive to support grad students would drive the search for more grad students.
- e) how to bring the rest of the community back into the program - research vs. cost share program.

Bruce will put together a panel to review the GACS program and make recommendations for improvement or redesign.

4. End of year wrap up and future topics

The next meeting will be held when fall semester begins.

Future topic: Better mentoring for new faculty

5. Other