Research and Sponsored Programs (RSP) Report
As reported by RSP, the total external funding for FY14 (period ending 4/30/15) was $59.9M, compared to $53.8M for FY14. Basic and applied research funding increased in this same time period to $24M from $21M in FY14. The total number of awards processed in during this period was 364 compared to 396 in FY14.

Professional Development and Research Initiation Grant Awards
A total of 27 applications were received for review. One primary and two secondary reviewers were assigned to each proposal. In addition, the Deans submitted rankings on proposals in their respective Colleges. Each College’s designee and faculty representative provided comments on the strengths and weaknesses of their proposals. Final scoring was submitted for funding determination.

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**Total Research Initiation:** $73,200

**Total Professional Development and Research Initiation:** $75,200
**Faculty Incentive Policy**
Dr. Fyffe stated that the Faculty Incentive Policy was implemented to increase the number of proposal submissions and award those who submit high dollar proposals with full research F&A. As of April 30, 34 proposals met the eligibility requirements for the Program, resulting in total incentive payments of $20,000.

**Graduate Tuition Eligibility**
Dr. Fyffe reminded Council members of the importance of following the graduate tuition eligibility policy. Council members were asked to discuss and redistribute the policy within their colleges/schools. There are limited funds available for the program.

**Wright State Research Institute (WSRI) Update**
Dr. Parker mentioned that Dr. Tim Broderick led the collaboration between WSRI and WSU that resulted in the recent submission of a proposal to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) entitled “Electrical Prescriptions (ElectRx).”

Dr. Parker recently traveled to India to meet with the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), the agency that handles India’s military technology research. While there, he explored the possibility of AFRL and WSRI initiating partnerships and collaborations with the agency.

Work is underway with the Kettering Health Network to translate many of the neuro-medical imaging tools developed by WSRI and AFRL. This is a great success story of the application of Air Force funded research and development in human performance to patient care. WSRI is seeking similar opportunities with Dayton’s Children’s Hospital.

In an effort to continue the partnership among WSU, WSRI, and WSARC, Dr. Parker and WSRI are working with the College of Engineering and Computer Science to present an “Opportunity Pipeline” meeting on campus in the near future.

Dr. Parker announced that WSRI is awaiting news of the funding status of two promising opportunities: “Sensor and Information Research Center for Understanding Systems (SIRCUS)” and “Human Machine Teaming.” Recent collaborations with WSU faculty include work on an Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Agency (IARPA) program with Dr. Elliott Brown’s lab (in conjunction with a team from MIT) and “Hand Proprioception and Touch Interfaces (HAPTIX)” program, a DARPA opportunity led by Dr. Sherif Elbasiouny.

**Clinical Trials Research Alliance (CTRA) Update**
Mr. Wysong announced that at the first of the year, the Dayton Daily News ran a front page article that sent a very positive message about the CTRA, its impact on the community, and its relationship with Premier Health and Wright State. Mr. Wysong stated the CTRA website is now active and may be seen at: <http://clinicaltrialsresearchalliance.com>.
Mr. Wysong reported that the CTRA currently has 22 trials with approximately 160 patients. Working with various faculty members, there are ten more trials in the works. Current trials are mainly limited to in-patient studies, so the CTRA is looking to expand trials to include outpatients. In addition, CTRA has had several discussions with Dayton Children’s Hospital to expand into pediatric trials.

Research Faculty Database
Dr. Fyffe provided preliminary information regarding a taskforce that has been established to create an institute-wide searchable research and scholarship database for use by all faculty, WSRI, and prospective customers.

Export Compliance
The University has engaged consultants specializing in export compliance, and they will be drafting University policy on the topic.

In addition, Dr. Fyffe stated that CaTS currently has three (3) Windows laptops for use when faculty and/or staff travel to foreign destinations. For information on reserving a laptop, please contact the CaTS Help Desk (x4827) or Mike Natale, Chief Information Security Officer (x3910). Additional information may be found on the CaTS website at: https://www.wright.edu/sites/default/files/page/attachments/travel_encryption.pdf

Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP) Update
Ms. Reinsch Friese announced that Wright State is a member of Phase VI of the Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP). This is a partnership between federal agencies and more than one hundred research institutions across the country. In its thirty year history, the FDP has been instrumental in helping to streamline the administrative burden for institutions and the government in terms of federal regulations and processes. Ms. Reinsch Friese, Ms. Jackie Frederick, and Dr. Josephine Wilson (Wright State’s faculty representative) attended an FDP meeting in January. Dr. Wilson stated that NIH and NSF are working towards a single biosketch and a virtual IRB online. Ms. Reinsch Friese advised that as part of our commitment to the FDP, we volunteer to pilot some of the projects. One of the current pilot projects is the Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae (SciENcv). SciENcv is a new electronic system that researchers can use to create and maintain biosketches that are submitted with grant applications and annual reports. Ms. Reinsch Friese will provide the link for any interested faculty member to test the tool. Ms. Frederick advised that in Grants.gov, alpha characters will now be recognized (shown) in file names.

OMB Uniform Guidance Update
Dr. Eugene Hern provided an update on the University’s implementation of the Uniform Guidance. He explained to Council that all federal awards are now managed under a Uniform Guidance rather than individual agency rules. The initial implementation was effective December 26, 2014. Audit standards will be implemented July 2015, and the procurement standards must be implemented by July 2016. The action plan for Wright State is to review and update the University’s and departmental policies and procedures in keeping with the Guidance.
**Grantsmanship Opportunities**
Announcements were made on the following:

a. Copyright Workshop is Tuesday, March 10, at 10:00 a.m. in the Student Union Endeavor Room
b. “Using the SPIN Funding Database” is Thursday, March 12, at 2:30 p.m. in LX012
c. “RSP Gateway: Proposal Development and Tracking” is Friday, March 20, at 9:30 a.m. and again on Tuesday, April 14, 9:30 a.m. Both will be held in Student Union 156A
d. “Write Winning Grant Proposals” is Tuesday, March 24, at 8:30 a.m. in the Nutter Center Berry Room (registration is required.)

**Other Business**

a. The Celebration of Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities will be held on Friday, April 10, 2015, in various venues in the Student Union
b. The NEC Building Grand Opening is Thursday, April 16.

**Note:** Research Council does not meet in the months of June, July, or August.