

COMMITTEE NAME: RPIPC

MEETING DATE & TIME: OCTOBER 3, 2023 @ 1400

MEETING LOCATION: 313 BEESON HALL

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS	“P” denotes Present, “A” denotes Absent, “R” denotes Regrets
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P	Rodica Cazacu	R	Nancy Mizelle
R	Josefina Endere	P	Desaree Murden
P	Brad Fowler	P	Alison Shepard
R	Lee Fruitticher	P	Talecia Warren
P	John Jackson	R	Benjamin Whittle
P	Susan Kerr	A	Collin Hall

GUESTS: FRANK BAUGH

<i>Italicized text denotes information from a previous meeting.</i>	
*Denotes new discussion on old business.	

AGENDA TOPIC (Committees should feel free to customize this template to make it as functional for them as possible. Other categories of topics might include Reports, Information Items, Unfinished Business, etc.)	DISCUSSIONS & CONCLUSIONS	ACTION OR RECOMMENDATIONS	FOLLOW-UP {including dates/responsible person, status (pending, ongoing, completed)}
I. Call to order	Brad Fowler- 1401		
II. Approval of Agenda	Motion by Susan Kerr Second by Alison Shepard		
III. Approval of Minutes	Motion by Desaree Murden Second by John Jackson		
IV. Unfinished Business/Review of Actions/Recommendations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank Baugh states that we have a favorable baseline rate from Ga Power and due to this we receive peak alerts during the summer in which 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to think about this over the break and determine a recommended plan at our next meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will discuss at January meeting

<p>1. Summer Utility Costs</p>	<p>GA Powers recovers its costs by coming to users like us and asking us to reduce costs. We have had bills as high as \$350,000 for one month in June of 2022. Graph shown of kilowatt hours per square foot showing that July-September are traditionally our highest months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spoke about how much cost savings that we had by having us conserve (close blinds, shut off lighting/use natural light, keep temp at 75 degrees, etc.) vs. remote workdays which revealed that remote work did not really make much of a difference in costs.• Other methods that are being explored (or have been done over the years) include a chiller optimization project (resulted in \$250,000 rebate), LED retrofits, & duty cycling among others Looking at HVAC renovations when buildings are being renovated. Susan asked if the LED projectors that IT has placed help and was told that they likely are.• Brad asked about possibly consolidating classes to the same buildings to decrease energy in multiple buildings. Talecia mentioned that this was attempted last summer but some classes were not conducive to the chosen environments and had to be moved back.• Brad also suggested to have someone physically go through and do the conservation methods (like unplug and close blinds) in case the faculty did not do it before leaving for summer. After discussion, consensus was to potentially ask each building manager to designate a team to do this but will be discussed further at the next meeting.• John asked if one person is tasked with monitoring energy consumption. Frank states that there is one that is mostly in charge of it, but it is not a full time position since staff are needed in other areas as well.• Susan spoke about how she continually sees use of unnecessary lights (such as in a copy room) during the summer and wonders if RPIPC should have a more supporting role in this. Desaree then suggested motion sensing lights and placing stickers near the switch as reminders to cut off lights.		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finally, Frank mentioned that the recent addition of new reactor units at GA Power will help decrease supplemental capacity and should decrease the drastic changes even though the baseline price will rise a bit. 		
2. Amorous Relationship Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brad and Stephanie Jett (Chair of FAPC) met and looked over the changes made by Brett Montroy (General Council) and have brought the changes suggested on the document to this meeting. Strict liability means “parties are liable for violating the policy regardless of intent or pre-existing arrangements prior to the policy change.” The newest version of the policy makes disclosure optional but makes it clear that if someone is found in violation, they can be punished. Brad asked who is ultimately in charge of staff and according to Susan since it applies to all it would end up coming to the president. For faculty it goes to chair then dean then provost. For staff department chair then director/AVP/VP, then President. John asked what happens to the people who would currently be affected and that is still undecided for now. Currently they should disclose, and the issue should be remedied by separating their job roles (i.e. moving student worker to a different section). Susan suggested giving a grace period for them, but Brad suggests that we have HR decide that and disseminate to all. He will ask about this during ECUS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stephanie & Brad will present to ECUS and Brad will bring results of that discussion to our next meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will discuss results from ECUS at January meeting
V. New Business 1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
VI. Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 5, 2024 @ 2:00 		
VII. Adjournment	Adjourned at 1502 Motion by Susan Kerr Second by Desaree Murden		

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Approved by: _____
Committee Chairperson (Including this Approval by chair at committee discretion)

Guidance

COMMITTEE NAME: RPIPC

COMMITTEE OFFICERS: BRAD FOWLER (CHAIR), RODICA CAZACU (VICE-CHAIR), AND TALECIA WARREN (SECRETARY)

ACADEMIC YEAR: 2023-2024

AGGREGATE MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR:

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Meeting Dates	August 14, 2023	September 1 st 2023	October 6, 2023	November 3, 2023	January 5, 2024	February 9, 2024	March 1, 2024	April 5, 2024	April 26, 2024
Rodica Cazacu	P	P	P	P					
Josefina Endere	P	P	P	R					
Brad Fowler	P	P	R	P					
Lee Fruitticher	P	R	P	R					
John Jackson	P	R	P	P					
Susan Kerr	P	P	P	P					
Nancy Mizelle	P	P	P	R					
Desaree Murden	P	P	P	P					
Alison Shepard	P	P	R	P					
Talecia Warren	P	P	P	P					
Benjamin Whittle	P	P	P	R					
Collin Hall		P	A	A					

CHAIRPERSON SIGNATURE

DATE _____ -

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