

**University of Minnesota Duluth
Research Scholarship & Creative Activities Subcommittee Meeting
MINUTES 4/3/25**

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Voting Members (mark with X for present)

X	Jessica Hanson (CEHSP)	X	Harsh Jain (SCSE)	X	Alex Frie (MN Sea Grant)
X	Chongwon Park (CAHSS)	X	David Beard (Grad Program)	X	Brian Barry or Christopher Filstrup (NRR)
X	Wenqing Zhang (LSBE)	X	Jay Austin (Large Lakes Observatory)		

Non-voting Members (mark with x for present)

X	Sally Bradt (ITSS)	X	Erik Brown (Grad Ed & Research)		Nathan Larson (Library)
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Other Attendees

x	Josie Peña (Staff Support)	X	Chancellor Charles Nies		
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1. Chancellor Charles Nies
 - a. Website memo
 - i. Jessica asked, who would be the owner of the RSCA website? Chancellor Charles Nies clarified that it would be the responsibility of the Chancellor's planning page.
 - b. Plan going forward for speakers
 - i. The Chancellor has suggested having a planning committee for the two annual events.
 - c. R2 Status Update
 - i. There is a high volume of support for R2 status. However, this will not happen overnight. A lot goes into gaining this status. Therefore, it will take some time.

2. Changes and questions for Marinelli speaker series [announcement](#)
 - a. Jessica received feedback from Dr. Ropers. Please review the announcement linked above.

3. Attendance at Faculty Senate on Friday, April 4, 2025
 - a. Dr. Ropers and the Chancellor will be in attendance at the Senate meeting to discuss budget cuts.
 - b. Harsh mentioned it is important to understand that the carry forward funds are not random funds. These funds are carefully curated and faculty plan to use them for a variety of reasons within grant activities.

4. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2025.