CPI Executive Committee Meeting with Provost Fierke  
September 12, 2018, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.  
Rudder 709

I. Discussion Items: (Moderated by Dr. David Threadgill, CPI Chair)

(a) Introduction of new CPI executive committee

(b) Discussion on current thinking for budget model changes

(c) Discussion on “excused absences” for graduate students attending conferences

(d) Findings and plans for improving retention and graduation rates

(e) Any plans for increasing student research experiences

(f) Follow up from August’s meeting on the graduate student health insurance outcome

(g) Other business

CPI Executive Committee Members (College):

- Vytas Bankaitis (Medicine)
- Russell Cross (Agriculture and Life Sciences)
- Darren DePoy, Vice Chair (Science)
- Nancy Downing (Nursing)
- Melissa Grunlan (Engineering)
- Oi-Man Kwok (Education and Human Development)
- Steve Maren (Liberal Arts)
- Dennis Perkinson (Texas A&M Transportation Institute)
- Elizabeth ‘Betsy’ Pierson (Agriculture and Life Sciences)
- Penny Riggs, Past Chair (Agriculture and Life Sciences)
- Brendan Roark (Geosciences)
- David Threadgill, Chair (Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences)

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