

## **Report from the Ad-hoc Faculty Research Committee**

Submitted by: Dr. Kevin M. Williams, chair

The ad-hoc research committee was formed to work in parallel with the Research Council to advise Provost Emslie regarding the research mission at WKU. The committee held its first meeting on Tuesday, January 26, 2015 to elect officers. Kevin Williams (OCSE) was elected chair, Molly Kerby (UC) was elected vice chair. Kristina Arnold will serve as the liaison from the committee to attend the Research Council meetings in order to facilitate communication between the two groups.

The committee members have begun to communicate with their respective colleges in order to promote conversations about what available resources are most useful, what resources could be improved or added, and what successful research should look like at a university like WKU. Over the next several weeks we will prepare a faculty-driven mission statement with actionable items that are recommended to facilitate research productivity at WKU.