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TO: **All Concerned**

RE: **University Research and Development, and Innovation
Technical Working Groups (RDITWGs) 2024-2025**

FROM: 
DR. PROSE IVY. G YEPES
University President

DATE: **June 20, 2024**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the VSU Board of Regents and as recommended by the VP for Research, Extension, and Innovation, you are hereby designated as Chairpersons and Members of the different Research and Development, and Innovations Technical Working Groups effective June 3, 2024, until December 31, 2025 or unless sooner revoked or terminated by higher authorities.

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1. Acts as technical advisory body to the R & D Director, Innovations Director, and the Vice President for Research, Extension, and Innovation in setting short and long-term RDI plans and agenda for the university;
2. Reviews RDI proposed programs/projects either for funding and/or for interagency collaboration ensuring relevance and coherence to the university's vision, mission, and goals;
3. Evaluate the progress and performance of implemented RDI programs and/ or projects. Whenever necessary, other expert(s) may be tapped within the University whose respective specializations are related to the reviewed or evaluated R&D, and Innovations programs/projects;
4. Updates and recommends policies and guidelines for R & D, and Innovation programs operations and management

This memorandum supersedes issuances with the same subject.

Please be guided accordingly.