

**Council of Principal Investigators and Research Administrators ([CPIRA](#))**  
**Council Monthly Meeting**  
**Thursday, February 19, 2026**  
**11:00 am – 12:30 pm**  
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**AGENDA**

1. **Guest Speaker:** *Dr. Ahmed Mahdy, Executive Vice President for Research and Innovation, TAMU-CC (20-minute presentation, 10-minute Q/A).*
2. **CPIRA New members, Alternates, and Guests**
3. **Approve Agenda**
4. **Review and Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Ex-officio Faculty Advisory Council** (Oliver Cruz-Milan)
6. **Ad-hoc Library Updates** (Phebe Raglin)
7. **CPIRA Committee Updates**
  - a. Research Administration Development and Training (Jordan Greer)
    - Update
  - b. Operations & Communication for Sponsored Programs (David Essian)
    - Update
  - c. Facilities (Devon Steffan)
    - Update
  - d. Bylaws, Elections, Rules, and Procedures (Shannon Fitzsimmons-Doolan)
    - Update
  - e. Graduate Recruitment and Retention (Yajuan Lin)
    - Update
  - f. Roles & Responsibilities (Jordan Greer)
    - Update
8. **Other Business** (Ruby Mehrubeoglu and Council)
  - a. R&I Updates
    - Compliance
    - AVPR Position Update
    - Research Excellence Fund
  - b. Discussion of Facilities and Administrative Costs of Extramural Projects Policy
  - c. FDP Update (Pablo Rangel)
  - d. Open Share
9. **Adjourn**