DRI Research Foundation Innovation Advisory Committee Charge

The primary purpose of the DRIRF Innovation Advisory Committee is to provide advice to the DRI President, Vice Presidents, Executive Directors and research faculty in support of DRI’s efforts to expand its capabilities in public-private partnerships, use of innovation in economic diversification, accelerate innovation-based economic development, and the development of commercially relevant solutions to real-world problems facing our state, nation and world.

In its service to DRI, the advisory committee may:

1. Provide advice and recommended guidance as requested in DRI activities that relate to consultation, cooperation and negotiations with private companies, industries and international partners, including but not limited to consideration of equity holdings on behalf of DRI.
2. Provide advice and support as requested in processes and procedures related to public-private partnerships, gaining insights from trustee experiences, previous business partnerships and other recommendations.
3. Assist in providing out-of-state business leads to DRI and DR Corp in support of DRI’s efforts in accelerating innovation-based economic development.
4. Assist in establishing a mentorship program for research faculty who seek advice in terms of public-private partnerships, creating spinoff companies, and other related activities.

Recommended Committee Members:

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