Board of Control Meeting

February 28, 2013
Senate Website Upgrade

Welcome to the University Senate

The University Senate was established in 1958 by the Board of Control of Michigan College of Mining and Technology, now known as Michigan Technological University.
Shared Governance

List A: Senate has the responsibility and authority to review and establish policy and procedures in these areas.

List B: Senate has the responsibility to review, make recommendations, initiate, and participate in the formulation of policy and procedures in these areas.

All must be approved by the Administration and some by the Board of Control (and the state Academic Affairs Officers Council for new programs).

The primary concern is that the Senate has not been given the opportunity to review, make recommendations and participate in some policies and procedures from list B, and even some from List A.

If the University is really to have shared governance, then the Senate needs to be viewed as a partner in decisions.
Some Thoughts

The Senate needs to respond in a timely and responsible manner.
The Administration needs to seek input from the Senate early in the process when developing new policies and procedures.
The Senate should approve proposals related to List A policies and procedures. List B policies and procedures may or may not lead to proposals.
The Administration should respond in a timely manner for Senate initiated policies and procedures.
If the Board of Control could allow the Senate to review proposed changes to its policies, it would be helpful.
Summary

Interaction between the Senate, Administration, and Board of Control, if done well, should make Michigan Tech a better University.