

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 614

November 7, 2018

Senate minutes are time-indexed [in square brackets] to the relevant segments of the streaming video of the meeting.

Synopsis:

Presentation:

- a. "NSF ADVANCE Program" presented by Dr. Adrienne Minerick, Dean, School of Technology
- b. "Benefits Changes" presented by Renee Hiller, Director of Human Resources

Committee Reports:

- a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Carlos Amador
- b. Administrative Policy – Chair Chris Middlebrook
- c. Curricular Policy – Chair Jeff Burl
- d. Elections – Chair Robert Hutchinson
- e. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Steve Patchin
- f. Fringe Benefits – Chair Sam Sweitz
- g. Information Technology – Chair Yu Cai
- h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Nancy Barr
- i. Research Policy – Chair Charlie Kerfoot
- j. Ad Hoc Committee – Brian Barkdoll

Unfinished Business:

- a. [Proposal 4-19: "Expanded Endowment for Graduate Support"](#) presented by Research Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
- b. [Proposal 6-19: "Amendment to Senate Procedures 805.1.1, Search Procedures for Department Chairs and School Deans"](#) presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
- c. [Proposal 7-19: "Amendment to Senate Procedures 802.1.1, Search Procedures for College Deans"](#) presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
- d. [Proposal 8-19: "Sabbatical Leave for Lecturer Track Faculty"](#) presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **POSTPONED**
- e. [Proposal 9-19: "Proposal to Shelve Secondary Education Certification Program"](#) presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**

New Business:

- a. [Proposal 2-19: "Revision to Policy 104.1 Developing Academic Policy at MTU"](#) presented by Administrative and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)

1. Call to Order

Vice President Cayce Will called the University Senate Meeting 614 to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday November 7, 2018.

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:27-3:25]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Holstrom, Rajachar, Mullins, Trewartha, Vertanen, Cook, Allred, Wang, Christianson, Beffel, Cai, O’Kane, Viera-Ramos, Gaede, Guter, Siekas, Aho, and Knudstrup or Liaisons Webster, and Bishop with no representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC, Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, Cognitive and Learning Sciences, Kinesiology and Integrative Physiology, Library, Academic Services B, Administration, and Technology, and Liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council and Staff Council. Visitors were: Jackie Huntoon (Provost’s Office), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), Shari Stockero (Cognitive and Learning Sciences), Renee Hiller (Human Resources), Heather Guilbeault (Human Resources), Jonathan Beck (Information Technology), Andrew Storer (SFRES), Adrienne Minerick (School of Technology), and Alex Guth (Provost’s Office).

3. Approval of Agenda [3:25-3:47]

The agenda was **passed** on a voice vote with no discussion or abstention.

4. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 613 [3:47-4:19]

The minutes were **passed** on a voice vote with no discussion or abstention.

5. Presentations [4:19-1:06:33]

- a. “NSF ADVANCE Program” presented by Dr. Adrienne Minerick, Dean, School of Technology [4:19-31:00]

Minerick presented [these slides](#). Asked help from the Senate by the formation of an Inclusion Committee. Much discussion ensued.

- b. “Benefits Changes” presented by Renee Hiller, Director of Human Resources [31:00-1:06:33]

Hiller gave [these slides](#). Heather Guilbault, Manager of Benefits, told what is new in the open enrollment for benefits. Questions ensued.

6. President's Report [1:06:33-1:15:38]

- a. Disposition of Proposals: none.
- b. Ad Hoc Committees
 - 1. Parking and Transportation: Middlebrook, Gregersen, and one un-named member are the proposed members. Moved, seconded and **PASSED** on voice vote without abstention. Discussion on purpose. Middlebrook said it was about parking information transparency.
 - 2. Textbook Accessibility: Kerfoot gave purpose and activities. Vote postponed.
 - 3. Bias in Student Evaluation of Teaching: Vote postponed.
- c. Ad Hoc Committees
 - 1. Consensual Relations Working Group
 - 2. Innovation Task Force
 - 3. Retention Task Force

7. Committee Reports [1:15:38-1:17:05]

- a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Carlos Amador: none.
- b. Administrative Policy – Chair Chris Middlebrook: none.
- c. Curricular Policy – Chair Jeff Burrough: none.
- d. Elections – Chair Robert Hutchinson: CATP election coming up shortly.
- e. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Steve Patchin: meeting soon.
- f. Fringe Benefits – Chair Sam Sweitz: none.
- g. Information Technology – Chair Yu Cai: none.
- h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Nancy Barr: looking at questions.
- i. Research Policy – Chair Charlie Kerfoot: none.

8. Unfinished Business [1:17:05-1:23:36]

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PASSED on voice vote without abstention.

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PASSED on voice vote without abstention.

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PASSED on voice vote without abstention.

- d. [Proposal 8-19: "Sabbatical Leave for Lecturer Track Faculty"](#) presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

Amador announced postponement.

- e. [Proposal 9-19: "Proposal to Shelve Secondary Education Certification Program"](#) presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

Patchin expressed concern. Stockaro told of a path forward for current students in the program. **PASSED** on voice vote without abstention.

9. New Business [1:23:36-1:26:54]

- a. [Proposal 2-19: "Revision to Policy 104.1 Developing Academic Policy at MTU"](#) presented by Administrative and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)

Amador announced two versions and clarified those. Huntoon expressed concern over the version shown. Guth said the other version is also available online.

10. Public Comments [1:26:54-1:27:43]

Rachel Jones announced a new initiative.

11. Adjournment

Vice President Will adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate