Report from the University Senate - Dec. 2018

Senate Approved Proposals

- 1-19: Proposal to Approve and Adopt the Senate Vision Statement
- 2-19: Revision to Policy 104.1 Developing Academic Policy at MTU
- 3-19: School of Technology Charter
- 4-19: Expanded Endowment for Graduate Support
- 6-19: Amendment to Senate Procedures 805.1.1, Search Procedures for Department Chairs and School Deans
- 7-19: Amendment to Senate Procedures 802.1.1, Search Procedures for College Deans
- 9-19: Proposal to Shelve Secondary Education Certification Program

Senate Proposals Pending

- 5-19: Revised Policy on Compensation of Senate Officers
- 8-19: Sabbatical Leave for Lecturer Track Faculty
- 10-19: Modification of Graduate Faculty Status in Faculty Handbook
- 11-19: Procedure for Review of Graduate Faculty Status
- 12-19: Establish a Policy on the Quality of Online Courses
- 13-19: Proposal for Minor in Forest Biomaterials
- 14-19: Proposal to Shelve Certificate Program: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- 15-19: Proposal to Shelve Minor Program: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- 16-19: Minor in Business
- XX-19: Tenure-track librarian appointments
- XX-19: On-line course, summer, and overload compensation
- XX-19: Ownership/copyright of on-line materials.

Upcoming activities and reports from standing committees

- University Senate Overview of MTU Finances (Finance committee)
- Campus-wide code of conduct and appropriate behavior on campus (Executive committee)
- Recommendations on benefits (Fringe benefit committee)
 - TRIP
 - Retirement
- Professional staff survey (Staff Policy committee)
- Constituent survey on campus priorities (Administrative Policy committee).
- Administrative evaluations (Administrative Policy committee, 2020).

Senate participation or representation on other groups across campus

- Ad hoc committee on Textbook Accessibility
- Ad hoc committee on Bias in Student Evaluation of Teaching
- Ad hoc committee on Parking and Transportation
- Consensual Relations Working Group
- Innovation Task Force
- Retention Task Force
- CFO Search Committee
- Benefit Liaison Group
- IT governance committee