

**The University Senate of Michigan  
Technological University**

**Minutes of Meeting 580  
September 7, 2016**

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

**Synopsis:**

- President's Report summarized issues that came up over the summer, including Senate proposals that came back from the Administration and various committee issues.
- The 2016-17 Senate Standing Committee List and the Proposed Meeting Dates for 2016-2017 were **approved**.
- The following proposals were sent back to the appropriate committees:
  - Proposal 11-16: Amending Senate Procedure 503.1.1: Evaluation Procedure for the President ,
  - Proposal 29-16: Proposal to Formally Establish Assessment Liaisons in all Units Mandated to Participate in the Assessment Process, and
  - Proposal 37-16: Amendments to Final Exam Policy 602.1.

**1. Call to Order.**

President Marty Thompson called the University Senate Meeting 580 to order at 5:33 PM on Wednesday September 7, 2016.

**2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:00-4:08]**

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators King, Hamlin,

Sutter, Nemiroff, and Velat with no representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC, Engineering Fundamentals, or Materials Science and Engineering. Visitors were: Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Jackie Huntoon (Provost), Josh Marshall, and Jonathan Davey. New Senators introduced themselves.

**3. Approval of Agenda [4:08-4:36]**

No discussion. Agenda **passed** on a voice vote.

**4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings 578 and 579 [4:36-5:54]**

No discussion. The minutes from meetings 578 and 579 were both **passed** on voice votes.

**5. Presentations [5:54-6:10]**

There were no presentations

**6. President's Report [6:10-17:40]**

President Thompson gave a presentation regarding passed and not-approved proposals from last year; CSA evaluation committee, CATPR committee membership, possible speakers to invite in the future and the upcoming BOT presentation on 9/28.

**7. Committee Reports [17:40-24:38]**

The only report was from the Finance and Institutional Planning Committee stating that the provost modified the Senate budget to the following: All compensations are flat-rate as follows: \$10,000 for President, \$6,000 for the Vice President, \$4,000 for the Secretary. Release time is \$25,000 for the President's unit and \$10,000 for the Secretary's unit. There is also \$5,000 for other activities such as student support or speaker invitations. The Senate President is

manager of the Senate budget now. No carry forward.

#### **8. Unfinished Business [24:38-26:14]**

a. The amended 2016-17 Senate Standing Committee List was **passed** unanimously by voice vote

#### **9. New Business [26:14-31:18]**

a. The Proposed Senate Meeting Dates for 2016-2017 were **passed** unanimously by voice vote.

b. Proposal 11-16: Amending Senate Procedure 503.1.1: Evaluation Procedure for the President, Approved by Administration 04-22-16 pending acceptance of editorial changes: **passed** unanimously by voice vote to be sent back to the Administrative Policy committee.

c. Proposal 29-16: Proposal to Formally Establish Assessment Liaisons in all Units Mandated to Participate in the Assessment Process, Approved by Administration 05-17-16 pending acceptance of editorial changes: **passed** unanimously by voice vote to be sent back to the General Education and Assessment committee.

d. Proposal 37-16: Amendments to Final Exam Policy 602.1, disapproved by Administration 05-17-16: **passed** unanimously by voice vote to be sent back to the Academic and Instructional Policy committee.

No other new business was raised.

#### **10. Public Comments [31:18-34:47]**

The possibility of inviting Renee Hiller to present on the changes to the Fair Labor Standards Act was raised. It was announced that there will be a talk on the same topic coming up soon.

A question was raised on how to bring up issues in the Senate, specifically the high price of textbooks. Kerfoot told Research Policy Committee is studying it already.

#### **11. Adjournment [34:47-34:59]**

President Thompson adjourned the meeting at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted by  
Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate