

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 609

April 25, 2018

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

Synopsis:

- Presentations: none
- Committee Reports: none
- Unfinished Business:
 - a. Proposal 16-18: Revision to Senate Policy 415.1: “Graduate Appeals of Suspension or Dismissal” – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - b. Proposal 18-18: Academic Calendar 2019-20 and Provisional Calendar 2020-21 – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate) **PASSED**
 - c. Proposal 28-18: Establish a Policy on the Quality of Online Courses – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **FAILED**
 - d. Proposal 22-18: Modifications to Senate Procedures 504.1.1 Teaching Effectiveness Evaluations – presented by Evaluations Ad Hoc Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - e. Proposal 23-18: Format for Academic Program Proposal – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - f. Proposal 24-18: Minor in Biomaterials – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - g. Proposal 25-18: Minor in Biomedical Engineering – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - h. Proposal 26-18: Minor in Medical Devices & Instrumentation – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
 - i. Proposal 27-18: Minor in Tissue & Stem Cell Engineering – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**
- New Business:
 - a. Proposal 30-18: Minor in Manufacturing Systems – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
 - b. Statement on Civility and Respect

1. Call to Order [32:17]

President Marty Thompson called the University Senate Meeting 609 to order at 6:10 PM on Wednesday April 25, 2018.

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [32:38-34:40]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Holstrom, Wood, Sutter, Gregerson, Tiwari, Azizi, Christianson, Cai, Xia, Gaede, Larkin, Siekas, Patchin, Liaisons Storer, Wakeham, and Thompson with no representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC, Geological and Mining Eng and Sci, Material Sci, School of Technology, Visual & Performing Arts, Academic Services C, Student Affairs & Advancement A, B, and C, and Liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council, Graduate Student Government, Staff Council, and Undergraduate Student Government. Visitors were: Bruce Seely and Alex Guth (Provost's Office), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Debra Charlesworth (Graduate School), and Pushpalatha Murthy (Graduate School).

3. Approval of Agenda [34:40-35:16]

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

4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings 607 [35:16-35:50]

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

5. Presentations [35:50-35:53]

None

6. President's Report [35:53-35:55]

None

7. Committee Reports [35:55-1:45:49]

a. Election Committee – Mike Mullins, Chair [35:53-41:13]

The following elections were held: Representative to Athletic Council. Gierke, Thompson, and Jacob Hiller were elected. Sabbatical Leave Committee elections resulted in Jennifer Becker, Sweitz, and Beffel being elected. Mullins gave slate of people selected for other positions. Mullins asked for nominees for Faculty Review Committee. Amador volunteered and was selected.

b. Information Technology/IT Governance Committee - Andrew Galerneau [41:13-46:38]

Galerneau gave vision and activities in [these slides.](#)

c. Curricular Policy Committee – Kedmon Hungwe, Chair [46:38-53:21]

Hungwe gave vision and activities in [these slides](#).

d. Academic & Instructional Policy Committee – Christopher Middlebrook, Chair [53:21-57:35]

Middlebrook gave activities in [these slides](#).

e. Research Policy Committee – Charles Kerfoot, Chair [57:35-1:06:19]

Kerfoot gave vision and activities in [these slides](#).

f. Fringe Benefits Committee – Jacob Guter & Sam Sweitz, Chairs [1:06:19-1:39:46]

Guter, Sweitz, and Brassard gave vision and activities in [these slides](#). A draft Benefits History Report was presented in these slides.

g. Assessment Council – Carlos Amador, Senate Representative [1:39:46-1:45:37]

Amador gave activities in [these slides](#).

h. Athletic Council – Larry Sutter, Senate Representative [1:45:37-1:45:49]

No representatives were present.

8. Unfinished Business [1:45:49-2:12:12]

a. Proposal 16-18: Revision to Senate Policy 415.1: “Graduate Appeals of Suspension or Dismissal” – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:45:49-1:46:50]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

b. Proposal 18-18: Academic Calendar 2019-20 and Provisional Calendar 2020-21 – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate) [1:46:50-1:49:30]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- c. Proposal 28-18: Establish a Policy on the Quality of Online Courses – presented by the Academic & Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:49:30-2:07:04]

Failed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- d. Proposal 22-18: Modifications to Senate Procedures 504.1.1 Teaching Effectiveness Evaluations – presented by Evaluations Ad Hoc Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:07:04-2:07:43]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- e. Proposal 23-18: Format for Academic Program Proposal – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:07:43-2:10:43]

Hungwe made amendment. Amended proposal **passed** unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- f. Proposal 24-18: Minor in Biomaterials – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:10:43-2:12:12]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- g. Proposal 25-18: Minor in Biomedical Engineering – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:10:43-2:12:12]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- h. Proposal 26-18: Minor in Medical Devices & Instrumentation – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:10:43-2:12:12]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

- i. Proposal 27-18: Minor in Tissue & Stem Cell Engineering – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:10:43-2:12:12]

Passed unanimously on a voice vote without abstention

9. New Business [2:12:12-2:18:51]

a. Proposal 30-18: Minor in Manufacturing Systems – presented by the Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [2:12:12-2:14:22]

Hungwe presented it in [these slides](#).

b. Statement on civility and respect by Sweitz was read as a challenge to next year's Senate for action. Thompson mentioned his intent to present it to the Board of Trustees. Beffle and Guter voiced strong support. [2:14:22-2:18:51]

10. Public Comments [2:18:51-2:18:51]

None.

11. Adjournment

President Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate