The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 617

January 23, 2019

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

Synopsis:

Presentation: none.

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

Unfinished Business:

a. Proposal 8-19: “Sabbatical Leave for Lecturer Track Faculty” presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) PASSED

New Business:

a. Proposal 18-19: "Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental Master of Engineering Civil Engineering (EGR3)" presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
b. Proposal 19-19: “Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Engineering Geotechnical Engineering (EPD3)” presented Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
e. Proposal 22-19: "Proposal 22-19- Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Engineering Sensing and Signal Processing (EPD4)” presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
f. Proposal 23-19: “Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Engineering Structural Engineering (EPD1)”
1. Call to Order

President Michael Mullins called the University Senate Meeting 617 to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday January 23, 2019.

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:21-2:45]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Holstrom, Heiden, Carn, Tewari, Huentemeyer, O’Kane, Viera-Ramos, Gaede, Larkin, Guter, Siekas, and Aho or Liaisons Webster, Ahangar, Bishop, or Tootongian with no representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC, Chemistry, Geological and Mining Eng & Sci., ME-EM, Academic Services B and C, and Student Affairs and Advancement C and Liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council and the Graduate Student Government. Visitors were: Jackie Huntoon (Provost’s Office), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), Pushpalatha Murthy (Graduate School), Alex Guth (Provost’s Office), and Chad Arney (Provost’s Office), Max Sexauer (USG), Robon Edwards (USG), and Tom Freeman (Center for Teaching and Learning).

3. Approval of Agenda [2:45-3:14]

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

4. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 616 [3:14-3:45]

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

5. Presentations [3:45-4:09]

None.

6. President's Report [4:09-12:54]

a. Budget Forum with David Reed 1/31/19 [4:09-5:20]

b. Proposal 2-19 edits: Mullins described editorial changes. Huntoon says she will review again. [5:20-9:40]
c. Editorial changes to Senate Procedure 707.1.1 to match Board of Trustees Policy 6.4 [9:40-11:27]

d. Request for Senate input on University initiatives [11:27-12:54]

7. Committee Reports [12:54-26:25]


b. Administrative Policy – Chair Chris Middlebrook: none.

c. Curricular Policy – Chair Jeff Burrough: Alex Guth mentioned shelvings.

d. Elections – Chair Robert Hutchinson: none.

e. Finance and Institutional Planning: Chair Steve Patchin mentioned report on Senate finances and university budget coming up.

f. Fringe Benefits – Chair Sam Sweitz – benefits reports coming to Senate soon.

g. Information Technology – Chair Yu Cai: It survey came out.

h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Rachel Jones: none.

i. Research Policy – Chair Charlie Kerfoot: upcoming presentation on H-STEM building. Research Policy Cmte will handle Graduate Faculty Appointment proposals with Grad School.


l. Parking and Transportation – Chris Middlebrook mentioned parking survey.

m. Teaching Evaluation – Barkdoll gave update.

n. Textbooks: Kerfoot mentioned joint meeting of those involved and will write a grant proposals to facilitate transition.


a. Proposal 8-19: “Sabbatical Leave for Lecturer Track Faculty” presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

Amador and Sweitz introduced. Paper ballot results were 12 Yes and 7 No. Proposal PASSED.


Dean Pushpamurthy gave background that these degrees have not been used for many years.

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c. Proposal 20-19: “Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental Master of Engineering Environmental Engineering (EGR5)” presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

d. Proposal 21-19: “Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Propulsion Systems Engineering (EPD6)” presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

e. Proposal 22-19: “Proposal 22-19- Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Engineering Sensing and Signal Processing (EPD4)” presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

f. Proposal 23-19: “Proposal to Shelve the Nondepartmental PhD in Engineering Structural Engineering (EPD1)” presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

None.

11. Adjournment
President Mullins adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by
Brian Barkdoll
Secretary of the University Senate