The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 624

April 24, 2019

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

Synopsis:

Presentations:

a. Safety and Crime on Campus Report presented by Brian Cadwell, Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police
b. “Student Retention Taskforce Report Summary” presented by Brian Barkdoll
c. Professional Staff Survey Results presented by the Professional Staff Policy Committee

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 Rachel Jones
i. Research Policy – Chair Charlie Kerfoot

Unfinished Business:

a. Proposal 36-19: “Defining Cross-Listed and Dual-Listed Courses” presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) PASSED
b. Proposal 47-19: “Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Cybersecurity” Presented by Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) PASSED
c. Proposal 48-19: “Academic Calendar for 2020-2021 and Provisional Calendar for 2021-2022” Presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: All) PASSED
d. Proposal 49-19: “Senate Budget Process” Presented by Finance Committee (Voting Units: All) PASSED

e. Proposal 50-19: “Resolution to Provide All Non-Student Michigan Tech Employees a Living Wage” Presented by Michael Mullins (Voting Units: All) PASSED

New Business:

1. Call to Order

President Michael Mullins called the University Senate Meeting 624 to order at 5:51 PM on Wednesday April 24, 2019.


The Senate Vice President Cayce Will called roll. Absent were senators Middlebrook, Amador, Cooke, Tewari, O’Kane, Gaede, Larkin, Guter, and Brassard, or Liaisons Webster, Ahangar, or Bishop, with no representatives from Electrical & Computer Engineering, Academic Services B and C, Administration, and Liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council, Graduate Student Government, and Staff Council. Visitors were: Jean Kampe (Provost’s Office), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Pushpa Murthy (Graduate School), Robon Edwards (USG), Chad Arney (Provost’s Office), and Josh Olson (IT), David Hale (IT), Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), Beth Lunde-Stockero (Institutional Equity), and Brian Cadwell (Public Safety).

3. Approval of Agenda [23:20-26:37]

Toroongian introduce emergency Proposal 52-19 “Emergency Proposal for Career Fair Recess” Presented by Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

PASSED unanimously to add to the agenda by voice vote without abstention.

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

4. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 622 [37:09-38:00]

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

5. Presentations [26:37-1:08:12]


Cadwell gave these slides.

b. “Student Retention Taskforce Report Summary” presented by Brian Barkdoll [38:00-49:34]

Barkdoll gave these slides.
c. Professional Staff Survey Results presented by the Professional Staff Policy Committee [49:34-1:08:12] Committee members gave these slides. Discussion ensued.


a. Employee Code of Conduct and Privacy Policy – Theresa Coleman-Kaiser, Associate Vice President for Administration and Josh Olson, Chief Information Officer

Coleman-Kaiser introduced and showed this document.

Olsen showed this document. Discussion ensued.

b. Disposition of Proposals

Several proposals on hold for the new CFO.

7. Committee Reports [1:28:26-1:35:40]

a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Carlos Amador: none.
   b. Administrative Policy – Chair Chris Middlebrook: faculty survey held over to next year.
   c. Curricular Policy – Chair Jeff Burl: none.
   d. Elections – Chair Robert Hutchinson: none.
   e. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Steve Patchin: none.
   f. Fringe Benefits – Chair Sam Sweitz: none.
   g. Information Technology – Chair Yu Cai: none.
   h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Rachel Jones: none.
   i. Research Policy – Chair Charlie Kerfoot: recapped the year.
   j. Ad hoc on textbook availability – Charlie Kerfoot: grant proposal on textbooks being worked on.

8. Unfinished Business [1:35:40-]


Discussion ensued. The proposal PASSED by hand vote of 10 Yes, 7 No, and 1 abstention.


Proposal PASSED unanimously be voice vote with no abstentions.

Proposal PASSED unanimously by voice vote with no abstentions.

d. Proposal 49-19: “Senate Budget Process” Presented by Finance Committee (Voting Units: All) [1:58:03-2:00:00]

Proposal PASSED unanimously by voice vote with no abstentions.

e. Proposal 50-19: “Resolution to Provide All Non-Student Michigan Tech Employees a Living Wage” Presented by Michael Mullins (Voting Units: All) [2:00:00-2:10:35]

Proposal amended, which PASSED unanimously by voice vote with no abstentions.


Hand vote yielded 10 yes 9 abstention 1. Failed since it did not have a 2/3 majority.


Will be voted on in the fall.


Sweitz reported on CATPR business.

Patchin said budget expenditures to be reported on in the fall.

11. Adjournment

President Mullins adjourned the meeting at 7:49PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate