

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 625

September 11, 2019

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

Synopsis:

- Presentations:
 - a. Having Productive Senate Meetings Presented by Senate President Mike Mullins
 - b. Roberts Rules Cheat Sheet Presented by Senate President Mike Mullins
- Committee Reports:
 - a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Convener Carlos Amador
 - b. Administrative Policy – Convener Christopher Middlebrook
 - c. Curricular Policy – Convener Jeff Burl
 - d. Elections – Convener Robert Hutchinson – Election of Senate Representative for VP of Diversity Search Committee
 - e. Finance and Institutional Planning –
 - f. Fringe Benefits – Convener Sam Sweitz
 - g. Information Technology – Convener Yu Cai
 - h. Professional Staff Policy – Convener Rachel Jones
 - i. Research Policy – Convener Charles Kerfoot
- Unfinished Business:
 - Proposal 51-19: “Senate Budget 2019-2020” Presented by Finance Committee **PASSED**
- New Business:
 - a. Proposal 1-20: “Ad-Hoc Committee on Senate Meeting Time and Length” Presented by Executive Committee
 - b. Proposal 3-20: “Recommendation: The School of Forest Resources and Environmental Science requests to Transition to a College” Presented by Executive Committee
 - c. Proposal 4-20: “Recommendation: The School of Business and Economics requests to Transition to a College, “The College of Business”” Presented by Executive Committee

1. Call to Order

President Michael Mullins called the University Senate Meeting 625 to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday September 11, 2019.

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:16-3:52]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Loomis, Allred, Tewari, Rudnicki, O’Kane, Gaede, Siekas, Brassard, and Aho, with no representatives from Army/Air

Force ROTC, Academic Services B and C, Auxileries, and Student Affairs & Advancement A, liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council, Staff Council, and Undergraduate Student Government. Visitors were: Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), Davis Flashpohler (SFRES), Jaclie Huntoon (Provost's Office), Dean Johnson (SBE), Amy Howard (CDI), Andrew Storer (SFRES), and Sue Kerry (President's Office).

3. Approval of Agenda [4:37-5:00]

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

4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings 623 and 624 [3:52-4:37 and 5:00-5:30]

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

5. Presentations [5:30-20:26]

a. Having Productive Senate Meetings Presented by Senate President Mike Mullins

b. Roberts Rules Cheat Sheet Presented by Senate President Mike Mullins

6. President's Report [20:26-33:16]

a. Special Election for new Senate Vice President

Hutchinson ran election and Guter was elected by iClicker by a vote of Guter 18 and Knudstrup 10

b. Disposition of Proposals

i. Administrative response on 8-19: Sabbatical for Lecturer Track Faculty, 37-19: Change to University Defined Contribution

Huntoon gave an update on proposals.

ii. Administrative approval on 36-19: Defining Cross-Listed and Dual Listed Courses, 41-19: Update Senate Procedure 504.1.1, 44-19: Career Fair Recess, Proposal 46-19: Faculty Appointments for University Librarians and Archivists, 47-19:

7. Committee Reports [33:16-44:54]

a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Convener Carlos Amador

b. Administrative Policy – Convener Christopher Middlebrook

c. Curricular Policy – Convener Jeff Burl

d. Elections – Convener Robert Hutchinson – Election of Senate Representative for VP of Diversity Search Committee

Hutchison ran election with an iClicker vote of Amador 14 and Beffle 15

e. Finance and Institutional Planning –

f. Fringe Benefits – Convener Sam Sweitz

g. Information Technology – Convener Yu Cai

h. Professional Staff Policy – Convener Rachel Jones

Jones gave an update about recent activities especially Senate meeting time and length, mandatory supervisor training, Senate issues being a part of new employee orientation, and organization of staff units.

i. Research Policy – Convener Charles Kerfoot

Kerfoot asked for nominations for search cmte for Grad Dean. Gave updates on textbook equal access, grant processing, HSTEM bldg., and IRAD.

8. Unfinished Business [44:54-46:26]

Proposal 51-19: “Senate Budget 2019-2020” Presented by Finance Committee

PASSED unanimously by voice vote without abstention.

9. New Business [46:26-1:05:46]

- a. Proposal 1-20: “Ad-Hoc Committee on Senate Meeting Time and Length” Presented by Executive Committee

Jones gave rationale.

- b. Proposal 3-20: “Recommendation: The School of Forest Resources and Environmental Science requests to Transition to a College” Presented by Executive Committee

Storer gave rationale.

- c. Proposal 4-20: "Recommendation: The School of Business and Economics requests to Transition to a College, "The College of Business"" Presented by Executive Committee

Johnson gave rationale.

10. Public Comments [1:05:46-1:06:54]

Jones told of renamed and located food pantry.

11. Adjournment

President Mullins adjourned the meeting at 6:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate