

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting 633

February 5, 2020

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

Synopsis:

- Presentations:
 - a. Michigan Technological University's CFO Susan Kerry
 - b. Ad-hoc Committee on Online Education – Brian Barkdoll

- Unfinished Business:
 - a. Proposal 20-20: "Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Human Biology" Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: All) **PASSED**
 - b. Proposal 23-20: "Proposal to Change Concentration Title from "Law and Society" to "Policy, Law and Society"" Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) **PASSED**

- New Business:
 - a. Proposal 21-20: "Proposal for Minor in Public Health" Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
 - b. Proposal 22-20: "Proposal 22-20: "Minor in Financial Technology" Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
 - c. Proposal 28-20: "Recommendation: The College of Computing Requests to Establish a Department of Applied Computing" Presented by: Executive Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

1. Call to Order

President Michael Mullins called the University Senate Meeting 633 to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday January 22, 2020.

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:39-2:48]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Loomis, Rajachar, Heiden, Middlebrook, Amador, Tewari, Beffel, Blair, O'Kane, Jones, Brassard, Griffis, Brown, Aho, and Webster with no representatives from ROTC, Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Humanities, Library, MEEM, Academic Services B and C, and Student Affairs & Advancement A and B, or liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council. Visitors were: Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration), John Lehman (University Marketing and Enrollment),

Ian Repp (University Marketing and Communication), Jackie Huntoon (Provost's Office), Alex Guth (Provost's Office), Andrew Storer (College of Forest Resources and Science), Leonard Bohmann (College of Engineering), Dan Fuhrmann (College of Computing), Dean Johnson (College of Business), Adrienne Minerick (College of Computing), Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Sue Kerry (CFO), Heather Knewtson (College of Business), John Durocher (Biology), Casey Huckins (Biology), and Hugh Gorman (Social Sciences).

3. Approval of Agenda [2:48-3:39]

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

4. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 632 [3:39-4:21]

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

5. Presentations [4:21-55:20]

a. Michigan Technological University's CFO Susan Kerry [4:21-38:09]
Kerry showed [these slides](#). Discussion ensued.

b. Ad-hoc Committee on Online Education – Brian Barkdoll [38:09-55:20]
Barkdoll showed [these slides](#). Discussion ensued.

6. President's Report [55:20-56:38]

a. Nominees for positions on committees (Sabbatical Leave and CATPR)

7. Committee Reports [56:38-1:03:40]

a. Academic and Instructional Policy –Carlos Amador: No report.

b. Administrative Policy – Mark Rudnicki: Presidential Evaluation being finalized. Also looking on how deans are hired.

c. Curricular Policy – Josh Loar and Amber Kemppainen: proposals tonight.

d. Elections –Robert Hutchinson: filled 2 positions and need 2 more people.

e. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chris Middlebrook: Gregerson reported regarding child care for Senate meetings. Asked for input.

f. Fringe Benefits – Sam Sweitz: working on several proposals.

g. Information Technology – Jingfeng Jiang: no report.

h. Professional Staff Policy – Steve Knudstrup: working on MLK Day off for staff.

- i. Research Policy –Charles Kerfoot: finished draft proposal for textbooks and reactivated cmte. Also contract for graduate students and changes in proposal processing.
- j. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - 1. Committee on Senate Meeting Time and Length - Barkdoll: working on university time off for administration work.
 - 2. Committee to review Policy on Quality of Online Courses (Proposal 12-19): Barkdoll: nothing further beyond the previous presentation.
- k. Committee on Tolerance: Sam Sweitz asked for nominees for the committee.

8. Unfinished Business [1:03:40-1:08:21]

- a. Proposal 20-20: “Proposal for a Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Human Biology” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: All) [1:03:40-1:06:22]

Loar introduced. Gregerson discussed. The proposal **PASSED** unanimously without dissent.

- b. Proposal 23-20: “Proposal to Change Concentration Title from “Law and Society” to “Policy, Law and Society”” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:06:22-1:08:21]

Loar introduced. Discussion ensued. The proposal **PASSED** unanimously without dissent.

9. New Business [1:08:21-1:13:38]

- a. Proposal 21-20: “Proposal for Minor in Public Health” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:08:21-1:11:50]

Kemppainen introduced. Discussion ensued.

- b. Proposal 22-20: “Proposal 22-20: “Minor in Financial Technology” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:11:50-1:17:55]

Kemppainen introduced. Dean Johnson and Knewtson gave info. Gregerson asked for enrollment projections. Johnson and Knewtson replied. Fuhrmann asked about courses.

c. Proposal 28-20: “Recommendation: The College of Computing Requests to Establish a Department of Applied Computing” Presented by: Executive Committee (Voting Units: Academic) [1:17:55-1:33:38]

Fuhrmann introduced and showed [these slides](#). Discussion ensued.

10. Public Comments [1:33:38-1:34:07]

None.

11. Adjournment

President Mullins adjourned the meeting at 7:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate