

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

To: Senators, Alternates, and Liaisons
From: Samuel Sweitz, Senate President
Date: December 9, 2020
Subject: Agenda for University Senate Meeting #651
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Meeting #651 of the University Senate of Michigan Technological University will convene at 5:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, December 9, 2020** via [Zoom](#).

Senators are responsible for making their constituents aware of the agenda for this meeting.

Senators who are unable to attend should arrange for their alternates to attend in their place.

Agenda	Time
1. Call to Order	
2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors	5
3. Approval of Agenda	2
4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings 648 and 649	3
5. Presentations:	0
6. President's Report	5
a. Confirm Athletic Council slate	
7. Committee Reports	5
a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Jason Gregersen	
b. Administrative Policy – Chair Mark Rudnicki	
c. Curricular Policy – Chair Josh Loar	
d. Committee for Promoting and Facilitating Equity and Understanding – Chair Amy Howard	
e. Elections – Chair Anne Beffel	
f. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Robert Hutchinson	
g. Fringe Benefits – Chair Greg Waite	
h. Information Technology – Chair Jingfeng Jiang	
i. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Steve Knudstrup	
j. Research Policy – Chair Eric Seagren	
k. Ad Hoc Committee Reports	
1. Committee on Textbook Accessibility and Affordability	
2. Committee on COVID-19 Preparedness	
3. Senate Bylaws Update 2020 Committee	
4. Committee to Review Institutional Policy and Procedures for On-Campus Events	

8. Unfinished Business

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- a. [Proposal 15-21](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Pavement Design and Construction” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- b. [Proposal 21-21](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Natural Hazards and Disaster Risk Reduction” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- c. [Proposal 24-21](#): “Proposal to rename the minor in Environmental Studies to a minor in Sustainability Science and Society” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- d. [Proposal 37-21](#): “Pass/ Low Pass/ Fail Option for Fall 2020” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- e. [Proposal 41-21](#): “Embodying University Values: Condemning Hate Speech, White Supremacy, and Ethnically and Racially Motivated Intolerance” Presented by: Amy Howard and Robert Hutchinson (Voting Units: All)

9. New Business:

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- a. [Proposal 27-21](#): “Revision to Policy 417.1 – ‘Graduate Grievances’” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

10. Public Comments

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11. Adjournment