

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

To: Senators, Alternates, and Liaisons
From: Samuel Sweitz, Senate President
Date: February 3, 2021
Subject: Agenda for University Senate Meeting #653
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Meeting #653 of the University Senate of Michigan Technological University will convene at 5:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 3, 2021** 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

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3. Approval of Agenda

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4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings:

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5. Presentations:

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a. none

6. President's Report

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a. Response to Dr. Burl's letter to the Senate

7. Committee Reports

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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

8. Unfinished Business

- a. n/a

9. New Business:

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- a. [Proposal 13-21](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Materials Engineering” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- b. [Proposal 14-21](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Computational Materials Science” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- c. [Proposal 23-21](#): “Proposal to Change Degree Title from “Cheminformatics” to “Computational Chemistry and Chemical Informatics” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- d. [Proposal 38-21](#): “Proposal for a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- e. [Proposal 39-21](#): “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: Pre-Professional Concentration (SBL5)” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- f. [Proposal 40-21](#): “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: Ecology Concentration (SBL3)” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- g. [Proposal 42-21](#): “Proposed Revision to Policy 710.1” Presented by: Administrative Policy and Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- h. [Proposal 53-21](#): “Proposal: Covid Policies for Spring 2021” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

10. Public Comments

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11. Adjournment