

# The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

## Minutes of Meeting #655

[Video of meeting 655](#)

**March 3rd, 2021**

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

### **Format:**

- Meeting held remotely by Zoom conferencing with participation on Campus

### **Synopsis:**

Next gen-ed presentation

## **2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors (0:00-5:02)**

The Senate Secretary Carlos Amador called roll. Please see attached roll call sheet

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

Motion seconded and approved

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### **Motion to approve minutes**

Minutes approved by unanimous consent

Agenda approved.

## **2. Presentation: Mary Raber and Dr. Marika Seigel: Presenting on the Education for the Twenty-First Century Initiative (5:26-30:19)**

## **3. President's Report (30:20—36:26)**

Discussion of the Senate's role in shared governance; campus community; the possibility of creating community-wide town halls.

#### **4. Committee Reports [36:27—45:59]**

a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Jason Gregerson: *will present during new business*

b. Administrative Policy – Chair Mark Rudnicki: Presidential review policy, Senate review policy, also revising the review policies for Deans and Chairs.

c. Curricular Policy – Chair Josh Loar: *Alexandria Guth (Provost's Office)*

d. Finance and Institutional Planning— Chair Robert Hutchinson: *will present during new business.*

e. Fringe Benefits Committee – Chair Greg Waite: *No report*

f. Information Technology – Chair Jingfeng Jiang: *No report*

h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Steve Knudstrup: *No report*

i. Research Policy – Chair Eric Seagren: *No report*

k. Elections Committee –Chair Anne Beffel: *Teams working on filling staff senator seats, also running the committee elections for university committees, discussion for positions that need filling.*

L. Committee for Equity, Inclusion, And Understanding –Chair Amy Howard: *Presenting during new business.*

K. Ad Hoc Committee reports:

Textbook Committee – Nora Allred: *No report*

Ad Hoc Senate COVID-19 committee—*No report*

Committee for On-Campus Events—Josh Loar: *No report*

Senate By-Laws Committee—Jason Gregersen: *Report during new business.*

#### **8. Unfinished business (46:00-2:11:56)**

Proposal 45-21—Proposal for Evaluation Procedures of Department Chairs

*Motion tabled by ballot vote*

Proposal 55-21—Proposed Addition of A Section on the Role of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Faculty Handbook

*Motion tabled by ballot vote.*

Proposal 56-21—Bylaws update

### **9. New Business (2:12:00-2:44:06)**

Proposal 45-21—Proposal for Evaluation Procedures of Department Chairs

Proposal 55-21—Proposed Addition of A Section on the Role of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Faculty Handbook

Proposal 56-21—Bylaws update

Move to editorially amend. Passed.

### **10. Public Comments (2:44:07-3:13:00)**

Discussion about proposal 41-21 from the community. Comments available on the senate video link.

### **11. Adjournment**

Sam Sweitz moved to adjourn @ 8:49 pm

Meeting adjourned @ 8:49 pm

# ROLL CALL

## Meeting #655 2021

### CONSTITUENCY

### SENATOR

### ALTERNATE

### SUBSTITUTE

#### Academic Departments

Army/Air Force ROTC  
Biological Sciences  
Biomedical Engineering  
Chemical Engineering  
Chemistry

\_\_\_ Justin Casey  
\_\_\_x\_ Michael Gretz  
\_\_\_x\_ Jingfeng Jiang  
\_\_\_x\_ Michael Mullins  
\_\_\_x\_ Lanrong Bi

\_\_\_ Paul Weiss  
\_\_\_ Guiliang Tang  
\_\_\_ Orhan Soykan  
\_\_\_ Kurt Rickard  
\_\_\_ Pat Heiden

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Civil & Environmental  
Cognitive and Learning Sciences  
College of Computing  
Computer Science  
Electrical & Computer Engineering  
Engineering Fundamentals

\_\_\_x\_ Eric Seagren  
\_\_\_x\_ Kevin Trewartha  
\_\_\_x\_ Paniz Hazaveh  
\_\_\_x\_ Keith Vertanen  
\_\_\_x\_ Chee-Wooi Ten  
\_\_\_x\_ Amber Kempainen

\_\_\_ Stan Vitton  
\_\_\_ Kedmon Hungwe  
\_\_\_ Nathir Rawashdeh  
\_\_\_ Robert Pastel  
\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
\_\_\_ Jon Sticklen

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Geological and Mining Eng & Sci

\_\_\_x\_ Greg Waite

\_\_\_ Radwin Askari

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Humanities  
Kinesiology & Integrative Phy  
Library  
Materials Sci & Eng  
Mathematical Sciences  
ME-EM  
MMET  
Physics

\_\_\_x\_ Carlos Amador  
\_\_\_x\_ William Cooke  
\_\_\_\*\*\_ Nora Allred  
\_\_\_x\_ Yu Wang  
\_\_\_x\_ Jason Gregersen  
\_\_\_x\_ Chang Kyoung Choi  
\_\_\_x\_ Michelle Jarvie-Eggart  
\_\_\_x\_ Petra Huentemeyer

\_\_\_ Kette Thomas  
\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
\_\_\_ \*\*Jenn Sams  
\_\_\_ Yun Hang Hu  
\_\_\_ Tamara Olson  
\_\_\_ Nancy Barr  
\_\_\_ David Labyak  
\_\_\_ Jacek Borysow

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Pavlis Honors College  
College of Business  
College of Forestry  
Social Sciences  
Visual & Performing Arts

\_\_\_x\_ Laura Fiss  
\_\_\_x\_ Robert Hutchinson  
\_\_\_x\_ Mark Rudnicki  
\_\_\_x\_ Samuel Sweitz  
\_\_\_x\_ Josh Loar

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\_\_\_ Paul Doskey  
\_\_\_ Adam Wellstead  
\_\_\_ Libby Meyer

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#### Senators-At-Large

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\_\_\_x\_ Anne Beffel  
\_\_\_x\_ Carl Blair  
\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
\_\_\_ Stefka Hristova  
\_\_\_x\_ Stefani Vargas Krause  
\_\_\_x\_ Amy Howard  
\_\_\_x\_ Tom Cogswell

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#### Professional Staff Units

1. Academic Services A  
2. Academic Services B  
3. Academic Services C  
4. Administration A  
5. Administration B  
6. Advancement & Alumni Engage  
7. Auxiliaries & Athletics  
8. Information Technology  
9. Research 1  
10. Research 2  
11. Student Affairs  
12. University Relations and Enroll

\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
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\_\_\_x\_ Nicole Seigneurie  
\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
\_\_\_x\_ Jacob Guter  
\_\_\_ Mike Olson  
\_\_\_ **VANANT**  
\_\_\_x\_ Steve Knudstrup  
\_\_\_ **VACANT**  
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\_\_\_x\_ Danielle Meirow  
\_\_\_x\_ Paige Short

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\_\_\_ Brian Cadwell  
\_\_\_ Lorraine Young  
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\_\_\_ David Chard  
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\_\_\_ Trish Bennett  
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#### Official Non-Voting Liaison Members

Graduate Faculty Council

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Graduate Student Government    \_\_\_x Nathan Ford  
Staff Council                        \_\_\_ ?  
Undergraduate Student Government    \_\_\_ Harley Merkaj

**Quorums:**      **To transact business:**            **20 of 40**  
                         **For academic matters:**            **14 of 27**  
                         **For research matters:**            **14 of 27**  
                         **For staff matters:**                **7 of 14**  
                         **Other:**                                **1/2 of eligible**

**Visitors**

Aaron Halonen  
Angela  
Adrienne Minerick  
Andrew Storer  
David Halonen  
Dennis Livesay  
Shaun Burris  
dmlabyak  
Erik Kiilunen  
Garrett Neese  
Jaroslaw Drelich  
Joel  
Jean Kampe  
Theresa Coleman-Kaiser  
Lucas Simonson  
Leonard Bohmann  
Will Cantrell  
Dennis Livesay  
Holly  
Matt  
Frances Luo  
Sarah  
Steve Kampe  
Dean Johnson  
John Pakkala  
Karina Madigan  
Theresa Jacques  
Zofia Freiberg  
Jackie Huntoon  
Joe Cooper