The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

To: Senators, Alternates, and Liaisons
From: Samuel Sweitz, Senate President
Date: April 7, 2021
Subject: Agenda for University Senate Meeting #657
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Meeting #657 of the University Senate of Michigan Technological University will convene at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 7, 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

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes from Meetings: 655
5. Presentations:
6. President's Report
   a. Announcement of Post-Pandemic Course Modality Definitions
   b. Motion to Amend Previously Adopted Resolution 41-21
7. Committee Reports
   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
8. Unfinished Business
b. **Proposal 61-21**: “Proposed Updates for Senate Professional Staff Unit Designations”  
Presented by: Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

c. **Proposal 62-21**: “Proposal for the Creation of an Ad-Hoc Committee to Draft a Senate Handbook”  
Presented by: Executive Committee (Voting Units: All)

9. New Business:

a. **Proposal 43-21**: “Proposal to Update Senate Procedure 504.1.1: Teaching Effectiveness Evaluations”  
Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

b. **Proposal 44-21**: “Reduction of courses at 3000-level or higher in minor programs from 9 to 6”  
Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

c. **Proposal 51-21**: “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: Graduate Certificate in Sustainability”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

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e. **Proposal 59-21**: “Proposal for a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Environmental Science and Sustainability”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

f. **Proposal 60-21**: “Procedure for Pilot Testing Modifications to the General Education Programs”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

g. **Proposal 63-21**: “A New Graduate Certificate: Advanced Computational Physics”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

h. **Proposal 64-21**: “A New Graduate Certificate: Frontiers in Optics, and Photonics”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

i. **Proposal 65-21**: “A New Graduate Certificate: Big Data Statistics in Astrophysics”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

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k. **Proposal 67-21**: “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Profit-Increasing Strategies in Chemical Processing”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

l. **Proposal 70-21**: “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Medical Imaging”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

m. **Proposal 71-21**: “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Manufacturing Engineering”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

n. **Proposal 72-21**: “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Engineering Sustainability and Resilience”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

o. **Proposal 73-21**: “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Control Systems”  
Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

p. **Proposal 74-21**: “Sabbatical Leave for Non-Tenure-Track Faculty”  
Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
q. **Proposal 75-21**: “Proposal to Establish a Concentration in Social Psychology within the degree Bachelor of Science in Psychology” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

r. **Proposal 76-21**: “A Proposal to Establish a Concentration in Cognitive Psychology within the degree Bachelor of Science in Psychology” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

s. **Proposal 77-21**: “A Proposal to Establish a Concentration in Clinical/Counseling Psychology within the degree Bachelor of Science in Psychology” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

t. **Proposal 78-21**: “Proposal for a new Bachelor of Science Degree in Human Factors” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)


v. **Proposal 82-21**: “Academic Calendar for 2022-23 and Provisional Calendar for 2023-24” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

w. **Proposal 83-21**: “Academic Calendar Procedures” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

x. **Proposal 84-21**: “Evaluation Procedures for Department Chairs” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

y. **Proposal 79-21**: “Update Faculty Handbook Section 5.1.2. Exceptional Extension of the Probationary Period” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

10. Public Comments

11. Adjournment