The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Minutes of Meeting #657

Video of Meeting 657

April 8rd, 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: Presentations on Elections, Certificates, and extended comments on New Business

2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors (0:00-6:15)

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

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion seconded and approved

Motion seconded and approved

Motion to add 79-21 to New Business

Motion passed.

Motion to approve minutes

Minutes approved by unanimous consent

Agenda approved.

2. Presentation:

See under President’s Report
3. President’s Report (6:20-10:00)
   a. Announcement of Post-Pandemic Course Modality Definitions—Mike Meyer gave report
   b. Motion to Amend Previously Adopted Resolution 41-21

4. Committee Reports [10:00—56:29]
   a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Jason Gregerson: will present during new business. Sub-working group on a new proposal was moved forward. Provost Huntoon and Anne Beffel presented briefly on this new proposal idea.
   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) brief presentation
   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: Laptop policy survey with an addition of a feedback from students to be emailed directly to Senator Jingfeng Jiang.
   h. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Steve Knudstrup: See new business for report on staff proposal 62-21
   i. Research Policy – Chair Eric Seagren: No report
   k. Elections Committee –Chair Anne Beffel: Elections begun.
   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
8. Unfinished business (56:32-1:03:00)

1. **Proposal 54-21**: “Course Re-Take Policy” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

   *Motion passed by voice vote*

2. **Proposal 61-21**: “Proposed Updates for Senate Professional Staff Unit Designations” Presented by: Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

   *Motion passed by unanimous vote*


   *Motion passed by unanimous vote*

9. New Business (1:03:00-2:24:30)

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

2. **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) – *Presentation by Jared Anderson, VPA chair*

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


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

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


17. 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)

18. 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)

19. 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)

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


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


11. Adjournment

Sam Sweitz moved to adjourn @ 7:58 pm

Meeting adjourned @ 7:58 pm
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For staff matters: 7 of 14
Other: 1/2 of eligible

Visitors
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Andrew Storer
Jean Kampe
John Doe
Josh Short
Sophie Miller
Theresa Coleman-Kaiser
Tom Cogswell
Yu Wang
Alex Guth
Scott Kuhl
Sue Kerry
Andrew Storer
Austin McFarlane
David Bellinger
Jared Wolfe
Jace Lutey
Evan
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George Gruver
Holly Emmert
James Schmierer
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John Lehman
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