

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

To: Senators, Alternates, and Liaisons
From: Samuel Sweitz, Senate President
Date: April 6, 2022
Subject: Agenda for University Senate Meeting #673
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Meeting #673 of the University Senate of Michigan Technological University will convene at 5:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, April 6, 2022 in DOW room 642.**

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 672	5
5. Presentations	30
a. Officer Candidate Presentations	
a. Confirmed Candidate(s) for President: Sam Sweitz	
b. Confirmed Candidate(s) for Vice President: Steve Knudstrup	
c. Confirmed Candidate(s) for Secretary: Robert Hutchinson	
6. President's Report	2
7. Committee Reports	10
a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Timothy Scarlett	
b. Administrative Policy – Chairs Jon Sticklen and Rick Berkey	
c. Curricular Policy – Chair Paul Bergstrom	
d. Committee for Promoting and Facilitating Equity and Understanding – Chairs Paige Short and Kevin Trewartha	
e. Elections – Chair Carl Blair	
f. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Robert Hutchinson	
g. Fringe Benefits – Chairs Michael Mullins and Greg Waite	
h. Information Technology – Chair Shaun Burriss	
i. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Lorraine Young	
j. Research Policy – Chair Eric Seagren	
k. Ad Hoc Committee Reports	
1. Committee on Textbook Affordability and Accessibility	
2. Ad-Hoc Committee to Evaluate the Structure and Timing of Senate Meetings	
3. Ad-Hoc Committee to Update the Senate Constitution and Bylaws	

8. Unfinished Business

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- a. [Proposal 14-22](#): “Proposal on the Scheduling of Examinations, Projects, Presentations, and Papers on Election Day” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy (Voting Units: Academic)
- b. [Proposal 15-22](#): “Proposed change to Senate Policy 706.1.1 section 8 on timing of sabbatical applications” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- c. [Proposal 16-22](#): “Institutional Compliance Standard Changes to Senate Procedure 804.1.1: Senate Search Procedures for University President” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- d. [Proposal 17-22](#): “Institutional Compliance Standard Changes to Senate Procedure 803.1.1: Senate Search Procedures for the Dean of the Graduate School” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- e. [Proposal 18-22](#): “Institutional Compliance Standard Changes to Senate Procedure 801.1.1: Senate Search Procedures for University Administrators” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- f. [Proposal 19-22](#): “Uses of Student Evaluations of Instruction: Best-Practice and Minimal Standards” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy (Voting Units: Academic)
- g. [Proposal 26-22](#): “Revisions Requested from Institutional Equity: Senate Search Procedure for College Deans Senate Procedures 802.1.1” Presented by: Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- h. [Proposal 27-22](#): “Proposal to Modify Senate Policy 413.1: Accelerated Master’s Programs” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- i. [Proposal 31-22](#): “Establishment of an Accessible & Affordable Course Materials University Standing Committee” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee and The Ad hoc Committee on Textbook Accessibility and Affordability (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- j. [Proposal 33-22](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Automation and Controls in Mechatronic Systems” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- k. [Proposal 35-22](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Industrial Robotics” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- l. [Proposal 39-22](#): “Amending the Scheduling of Spring Break in Senate Procedure 101.1” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- m. [Proposal 40-22](#): “Improved Access to Health and Wellness Programs/Activities” Presented by: Fringe Benefits Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- n. [Proposal 41-22](#): “Amendments to the University Senate Constitution” Presented by: Ad-hoc Committee to Update the Senate Constitution and Bylaws (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- o. [Proposal 42-22](#): “Amendments to the University Senate Bylaws” Presented by: Ad-hoc Committee to Update the Senate Constitution and Bylaws (Voting Units: Full Senate)

9. New Business

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- a. [Proposal 20-22](#): “Proposed College-level Tenure and Promotion Review Process” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

- b. [Proposal 34-22](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Fluid Power in Mechatronic Systems” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- c. [Proposal 36-22](#): “Establishment of a new Master of Science in Sustainable Communities” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- d. [Proposal 37-22](#): “2023-24 Academic Calendar and Provisional Calendar for 2024-25” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- e. [Proposal 38-22](#): “Proposed Revisions to Academic Rank Definitions Section of the Faculty Handbook and Associated Proposed Revisions to Board of Trustees Policy” Presented by: Academic and Instructional Policy (Voting Units: Academic)
- f. [Proposal 43-22](#): “Revision of Misconduct Policy in Research, Scholarly, and Creative Endeavors” Presented by: Research Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- g. [Proposal 44-22](#): “Proposal to Change Degree Title from “Bioinformatics” to “Computational Biology”” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- h. [Proposal 45-22](#): “Proposal to Change name of Minor from “Pharmaceutical Chemistry” to “Medicinal Chemistry”” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- i. [Proposal 46-22](#): “Proposal for a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Policy and Community Development” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- j. [Proposal 47-22](#): “Revisions to Senate Policy 108.1: General Policy For Academic Program Planning” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- k. [Proposal 48-22](#): “Revisions to the Academic Integrity Policy” Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)
- l. [Proposal 49-22](#): “Establishment of a New Graduate Certificate in Scientific Computing” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- m. [Proposal 50-22](#): “Proposal to Create an ‘October Recess’” Academic and Instructional Policy Committee (Voting Units: Full Senate)

8. Public Comments

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9. Adjournment