

## **The University Senate of Michigan Technological University**

Date: 10/26/2022

Subject: Minutes for University Senate Meeting #678

Video recording of the meeting can be found here:

<https://huskycast.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=698c3e5b-c0b8-42be-ad40-af3b00cab090>

Format: In-person/Online

Senate Officers: Michael Mullins (President), Steve Knudstrup (Vice-President), Robert Hutchinson (Secretary), Ashley Buchanan (Senate Assistant)

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President Mullins called meeting 678 to order at 5:30pm.

Roll called by Secretary Hutchinson. Quorum met: 23 academic/ 10 staff senators in attendance. (Absentee list: Justin Casey, Erich Petushek, Angie Carter, Joel Neves, Quincy Higgins)

Motion made to approve agenda for meeting 678 - motion passed.

Minutes from meeting #677 were not available

Presentations:

Jacob Guter: 2035 Campus Master Plan presentation available here:

<https://www.mtu.edu/senate/policies-procedures/proposals-year/2022-23/guter-univ-senate-10.26.2022.pdf>

### **President's Report:**

- a. Members for ad-hoc committees needed – Meeting Time/Accessibility and Bylaw Review committees. Charles Wallace volunteered for Bylaw Review Committee.
- b. Look for upcoming elections business – many vacancies to be filled.

### **Committee Reports:**

- a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Jeremy Shannon present. Proposal for October recess forthcoming.
- b. Administrative Policy – Chair Jon Sticklen present. Chair search review moving forward.
- c. Curricular Policy – Chair Paul Bergstrom present. Working with administration on editorial changes to Senate Policy 108.1: GENERAL POLICY FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAM PLANNING. New business coming 6-23.
- d. Committee for Promoting and Facilitating Equity and Understanding – Chair Lindsey Wells present. Inter-residential housing council meeting tomorrow.

- e. Elections – Chair Anne Beffel. No representative present. Ashley reported: reps needed on textbook committee and bylaws.
- f. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Carl Blair present. No report.
- g. Fringe Benefits – Chairs Patrice Cobin and Radwin Askari present. Reviewing minimum (living) wage with FIPC. Seeking feedback on 40-22 Husky Health Option Accessibility. Working on child care.
- h. Information Technology – No representation.
- i. Professional Staff Policy – Chair Paige Short. Priorities are increasing staff engagement on senate. Action items: how we enact shared governance. Compensation for staff.
- j. Research Policy – Chair Kelsey Kocher. No report.
- k. Ad Hoc Committee Reports – “Committee to Evaluate Senate Meeting Times” Summary for past open forum October 21. Themes discussed are meetings during work hours, set end times, and public accessibility. See presentation: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1sU3ISoQovqurOjlo4wzzFLCNunPeLokovtJ648ABmMs/edit?usp=sharing>

### **Unfinished Business:**

- a. Proposal 3-23: “Elimination of Shelved Programs” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic) – These are all programs that have been shelved for more than 5 years now. Motioned, seconded, passed unanimously.

### **New Business:**

No new business.

### **Public Comments:**

Presentation made by Iranian Community at Michigan Tech regarding current political violence in Iran and how we can support this community (57 grad students) through: 1) raising awareness, 2) Supporting prospective students, and 3) career support for graduates.

Statement can be found here:

<http://www.mtu.edu/senate/policies-procedures/proposals-year/2022-23/irc-statement.pdf>.

### **Adjourn**

- Motion made; no discussion, no vote necessary.

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING #678  
VISITORS LIST

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1.	JAKE GUTER	FAC. MGT.
2.	Roya Bagheri	IRC vice president
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