

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Date: 03/01/2023

Subject: Minutes for University Senate Meeting #684

Video recording of the meeting can be found here:

<https://huskycast.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=483e74c7-8112-4404-a82a-afb900e6a770>

Format: In-person/Online

Senate Officers: Michael Mullins (President), Robert Hutchinson (Secretary), Ashley Buchanan (Senate Assistant)

President Mullins called meeting 684 to order at 17:30.

Roll called by Secretary Hutchinson. Quorum met: 25 academic/ 10 staff senators in attendance. (Absentee list: Justin Casey, Erich Petushek, Alexandra Morrison, Quincy Higgins)

Motion made to approve agenda for meeting 684 - motion made to add 22-23 Emergency Resolution on MSU Shootings as unfinished and 21-23 Grad Student Health Care from Fringe Benefits Committee to new business. Motion Passed. Agenda approved.

Motion made to approve minutes from meetings #683 – motion made. Editorial amendment made to add call for officer nominations made by the Chair of Elections. Accepted and passed.

Presentations: Enrollment update from John Lehman (08:20-22:00 on video recording)

President's Report

- a. Provost candidates on campus now.
- b. VP nominations closing tomorrow.

Committee Reports:

- a. Academic and Instructional Policy – Chair Jeremy Shannon reporting. New business coming. Rob Bishop to amend and resubmit proposal on academic integrity.
- b. Administrative Policy – Chair Jon Sticklen reporting. Final process for chair search. Moving forward nicely.
- c. Curricular Policy – Chair Paul Bergstrom reporting. Completed edits on Essential Ed; on track for March 22nd introduction as new business.
- d. Committee for Promoting and Facilitating Equity and Understanding – Chair Lindsey Wells reporting. Draft to stakeholders on mental health proposal. Working closely with PSPC on combining voting blocks proposal.
- e. Elections – Chair Anne Beffel reporting. New business, proposal 20-23. Soliciting nomination for officers by March 22.

- f. Finance and Institutional Planning – Chair Carl Blair reporting. Reviewing Essential Ed. proposal. Preparing senate budget for March 22nd.
- g. Fringe Benefits – Chair Radwin Askari reporting. New business on grad student health care. Going over survey results on Husky Health Care.
- h. Information Technology – Scott Kuhl present. No report.
- i. Professional Staff Policy – Christine Grotske reporting. Nothing in addition to CPFEU collaboration.
- j. Research Policy – Chair Kelsey Kocher present. No report.
- k. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - 1. Committee to Evaluate Senate Meeting Times – Laura Fiss Reporting. Unfinished business proposal 17-23.
 - 2. Committee to Amend the Senate Bylaws – Pattie Luokkanen reporting. Continue working on language regarding proposal to create a mechanism for the removal of senate officers.

Unfinished Business

- a. [Proposal 13-23](#): “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: 3+1 Cytotechnology (SML4)” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- b. [Proposal 14-23](#): “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: 4+1 Cytotechnology (SML6)” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)
- c. [Proposal 15-23](#): “Proposal to Shelve Degree Program: 4+1 Histotechnology (SML7)” Presented by: Curricular Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

*Above three proposals combined as a slate by unanimous consent. No objections. Passed unanimously.

- d. [Proposal 17-23](#): “Senate Meeting Times” Presented by: Senate Meeting Times (Voting Units: All) – Proposed amendment to begin in Fall ’24. Amendment passed. Motion for roll-call vote. No second or vote needed. Motion passed 22-8 with 2 abstentions.
- a. Emergency Resolution 22-23: “Emergency Resolution of Solidarity with Michigan State University and a Call for a Formal Review of Campus Preparation for Similar Emergencies at Michigan Tech” – motioned, seconded, passed unanimously.

New Business

- a. [Proposal 20-23](#): “Proposal to Correct Bylaws Language Describing Nomination Acceptance” Presented by: Ad-hoc Committee to Amend the Bylaws and Elections Committee (Voting Units: All)
- e. Resolution 21-23: “Improve Michigan Tech’s Graduate Student Health Care Benefits”

Public Comments – none.

Adjournment – motioned, seconded, passed without discussion.

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING #684
VISITORS LIST

1 March 2023

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