

Minutes of Michigan Tech University Senate Meeting #722
12:30 p.m. Thursday, October 23, 2025
ChemSci room 102

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:30.

Senator Roll Was Called

Agenda

- A motion to approve the agenda was made and seconded (Paniz Hazaveh). The vote was called and approval was unanimous.

Minutes

- A motion (Charlie Temple) to approve the minutes from meeting #721 was made and seconded (Paniz Hazaveh). The vote was called, and approval was unanimous.

President's Report

- Largely information session today, there is business in the pipeline
- Thank you to [Ashley Buchanan](#) for 7 years of service, and for your fulltime and deviation to the senate. Shared governance does not just happen in these meetings, but also outside with Ashley. Congratulations on your new job. Applause.
- Introduced Camila, the new Senate Assistant. JD and interned with JAG of the Coast Guard. We are lucky to have her here with us, with her legal training. She has quickly become familiar with our policies.
- Things outside these meetings have been happening. Committees have met and selected chairs.
- Elections Committee Charges
 - Need a new representative on sabbatical leave committee, nominations will be needed
 - Need two representatives for the CATPR, nominations will be needed. Robert Hutchinson and Sunil Mehendel will be serving in the interim through December.
 - Senate Rep needed for CFRES Dean review, nomination needed, faculty
- APC
 - Review and revamp DEI section of the Faculty Handbook to reflect community engagement, to support strategic effort of the university but also the individuals who do this work
 - Update section of reference materials in the Faculty Handbook. Materials the effect faculty housed in multiple areas and want to bring them together. There is a Code of Conduct for all employees that is a university wide policy. A reference section is to be added to the handbook, so all faculty is aware of what pertains to the faculty
- A working group unanimously agreed to be formed but the executive committee to review Global Campus. It has been wonderful for the university, but as it has

grown review is needed to determine if the current model fits the current situation the best. This is a good problem to have, but we want to ensure quality as things continue to develop and grow.

- Steven Patchin, Paniz Hazaveh, and Kailee Sague will participate
- Invite Amy Landis
- Invite Eric Seagren

Committee Reports

- CPC, Eric
 - Will be finished essential ed minors
 - Some degrees will be shelved

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Public Comments

- Jonathon, one of constituents asked if the senate can review and comment on HR policies?
 - Robert says we have an advisory role for B list items, which this is. If there are concerns take them to HR or write a proposal to address it.

Adjournment