

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

To: Senators, Alternates, and Liaisons
From: Holly Hassel, Senate President
Date: September 10, 2026
Subject: Minutes for University Senate Meeting #737
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Meeting #737 of the University Senate of Michigan Technological University will convene at 12:30 p.m. on September 10, 2026 in ChemSci room 102.

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

Call to Order

Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors 5

Approval of Agenda 2

Motion to amend the Agenda (M:J. Wall S: T. Scarlett, 21:0:0)

Add new business Item (Senate 2026/2027 Budget)

Approval of Minutes from Meeting [736](#) (M:J. Wall S: T.Scarlett, 21:0:0) 5

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a. Senate Priorities

- a. Governing documents review
- b. Constituency unit structure updates
- c. Senator-identified priorities

b. Committee Charges and formation

- a. Discussion - Clarify differences between senator/alternate suggestion to modify adding clarification to bylaws.

c. Senate self-evaluation survey

Unfinished Business 10

- a. [18-26](#): "Charter Policy Proposal - Update to Faculty Handbook 1.4.1- Departmental Charters" [Appendix](#). Presented by Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

- 1. Motion to return to committee for modification (M:J. Wall S: T. Scarlett, 21:0:0)

Discussion: R. Molzon: Unit (Mathematical Sciences) not in favor

- b. [38-26](#): "Proposed Change to Senate Procedure 805.1.1 Search Procedures for Departmental Chairs and School Deans" Presented by Administrative Policy Committee (Voting Units: Academic)

- 1. Motion to Table (M: K. Griffen, T. Scarlett 21:0:0)

New Business **5**

- a. Senate 2026/2027 Budget

Public Comments **5**

- a. Dean Wolfenbarger (CSA) announced the name of the newly formed School of Health, Human and Biological Systems and requested that the University community use the School's full name to recognize the breadth of disciplines and programs represented within the School.

Adjournment