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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs (SACUA)
Monday, September 16, 2019 3:15 pm
4006 Fleming Administration Building
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48109-1340

Present: Beatty (chair), Conway, Dinov, Malek, Manera, Marsh, Potter, Spencer, Banasik

Absent: Ahbel-Rappe, Gallo

Guests: Members of the Press (after 4:30)

3:16: Call to Order and Approval of Minutes

The agenda was approved. The Minutes for May 6; May 31 and September 9 were approved.

3:25: Announcements

Chair Beatty announced that Paul Erikson has been hired as the Randolph G. Adams Director of the Clements Library (<https://record.umich.edu/articles/paul-erickson-named-director-of-clements-library/>). His previous position was as program director for Arts, Humanities & Culture and American Institutions, Society & the Public Good at the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

SACUA approved the following committee liaison assignments:

Academic Affairs Advisory Committee (AAAC): Gallo
Communications Advisory Committee (CAC): Spencer
Development Advisory Committee (DAC): Conway
Financial Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC): Gallo
General Counsel Advisory Committee GCAC Ahbel-Rappe
Government Relations Advisory Committee (GRAC): Manera
Information Technology Committee (ITC): Dinov
Medical Affairs Advisory Committee (MAAC): Malek
Research Policies Committee (RPC): Manera
Secretary of the University Advisory Committee (SAC): Marsh
Student Relations Advisory Committee (SRAC): Potter
Committee on Civil Rights and Liberties (CCRL): Spencer
Tenure, Promotions and Professional Development (TPP): Dinov

3:25: Agenda for September 23 Senate Assembly Meeting

Chair Beatty presented the proposed agenda for the September 23, 2019 Senate Assembly meeting:

3:15: Call to Order

3:20: Approval of Agenda, Minutes, and Announcements
3:35: Committee Rosters and Charges
3:40: Activity –Meeting Your Senate Assembly Colleagues
3:55: Visioning Exercise
4:25: Unit Report Outs
4:50: Matters Arising
5:00: Adjournment

The Senate Assembly Agenda was unanimously approved.

3:45: Executive Session
[5.09 Process]

4:30: Big Ten Academic Alliance Governance Meeting Topics

Chair Beatty distributed a possible schedule that Professor Conway had developed for the meeting:

Friday October 18:
8:30-10:00: Challenges and Successes in Faculty Governance
Break
Session 2: Institutional Reports
Lunch
Session 3 (2-3:30): Admissions Trends in Higher Education (Kedra Ishop)
Break
Session 4 (3:45-5:00)
6:00pm: Reception and Dinner, University of Michigan Museum of Arts
Saturday October 19
Session 5 (8:30-10:00)
Break
Session 6 (10:15-11:00) Ideas for the Future

Chair Beatty asked for suggestions of topics for the two sessions currently which currently lack them. There was consensus that sessions could be added on the following topics:

Online-education;
Investigations of faculty misconduct connected with Title IX;
Relationships between boards of regents and faculty governance;
Faculty life.

4:50: Matters Arising

Professors Potter and Conway suggested that SACUA invite University Librarian James Hilton to a meeting. Professor Marsh suggested that SACUA look at governance models for SACUA as well as electronic representation and voting. It was agreed that the ITC should be invited to discuss electronic voting with SACUA. Professor Conway suggested asking the Academic Evaluation Committee (AEC) to come to a meeting. Librarian Spencer suggested asking Vice President Harper to discuss her tenure as Vice President for Student Affairs.

5:03: Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
David S. Potter
Senate Secretary

University of Michigan Bylaws of the Board of Regents, Sec. 5.02:
Governing Bodies in Schools and Colleges

Sec. 4.01 The University Senate

"...[t]he Senate is authorized to consider any subject pertaining to the interests of the university, and to make recommendations to the Board of Regents in regard thereto. Decisions of the University Senate with respect to matters within its jurisdiction shall constitute the binding action of the university faculties. Jurisdiction over academic policies shall reside in the faculties of the various schools and colleges, but insofar as actions by the several faculties affect university policy as a whole, or schools and colleges other than the one in which they originate, they shall be brought before the University Senate."

Rules of the University Senate, the Senate Assembly and the Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs:

Senate: "In all cases not covered by rules adopted by the Senate, the procedure in Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed."

Assembly: "The Assembly may adopt rules for the transaction of its business. In appropriate cases not covered by rules of the Assembly, the rules of the University Senate shall apply."

SACUA: "The committee may adopt rules for the transaction of its business."