

Academic Affairs Advisory Committee (AAAC) Agenda

September 8, 2020 1:00-2:00 pm Zoom

Agenda Items

Time Topic Action Item

- 1:00 Introduction on Faculty Senate and committees
- 1:10 Introduction to AAAC committee and function:
 - AAAC is concerned with a broad range of academic issues, but a key focus is to represent faculty concerns to the university administration.
 - The Academic Affairs Advisory Committee is advisory to the Provost of the University
 of Michigan. The committee members are chosen by the Senate Advisory Committee
 on University Affairs (SACUA), and our annual charge is also determined by them
 (with our input). We are advisory in that we have no formal power, but we can ask
 questions, request meetings with university leaders, make requests, and so on.
 - We are advisory to the provost, who oversees academic and budgetary affairs on the U-M Ann Arbor campus. The Dearborn and Flint campuses have their own provosts, but the Ann Arbor provost has significant influence on those campuses, as well. "Advisory" means we can provide input to the provost, but we have no formal administrative power; the provost is only obligated to meet with us.
 - We are appointed by the Senate Advisory Committee for University Affairs (SACUA), which is the elected, executive body of the Faculty Senate and Senate Assembly.
 These bodies and their roles are mandated by the Regents' Bylaws.
 - We are primarily concerned about representing the faculty perspective to the provost, but our student members help us keep the student perspective in mind.
- 1:25 Review the committee charge and discuss prioritization
- 1:45 Plans for meetings going forward
 - Will try send materials ahead of time so we can start right into discussion.
 - After one hour with Provost will have 30 minutes for discussion/wrap-up and to plan for next session.
 - First meeting may be more of an overview on certain topics like umbrella policy, OIE and Title IX changes so we are all on the same page.
- 1:55 Matters Arising (Topics for next meeting)
- 2:00 Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, September 23, 8-9:30 am. Provost Collins 8-9 am.