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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs
Monday, May 23, 2022, 3:15pm

The meeting was held 1100 Ruthven

In Person: Chair Silvia Pedraza, Past Chair Allen Liu, Professor Kentaro Toyama,
Faculty Senate Office Coordinator Ann Marshall, Secretary Deirdre Spencer

Online: Vice Chair Durga Singer, Professor Michael Atzmon,
Professor Tom Braun, Professor Simon Cushing, Professor Rebekah Modrak, Professor
Sergio Villalobos Ruminott,

Guests

Ann Zaniewski *The Record*

Samantha Rich *The Daily*

Provost Laurie McCauley and Special Counsel to the Provost Christine Gerdes

3:15 Call to order / 5/16/2022 Minutes / Announcements: Chair Pedraza called the meeting to order at 3:18pm. The minutes of the 05/16/2022 meeting were approved pending changes.

3:20 SACUA Chair Updates: Chair Pedraza asserted that the Faculty Senate Office has been hard at work. This is the last formal SACUA meeting for the year. We are asking that members save 06/13/22, 07/25/22, and 8/22/22, 3:15-5:00pm time slots on your calendars for monthly SACUA meetings over the summer, as well Wednesday 6/1/22 and Thursday 6/2/22 to meet the finalists for the FSO director position. The possible time slots for both days to meet the candidates is 11-12 and 1-2. We are interviewing four candidates for the position. The FSO is working with Jamie Zawistowski from University Human Resources to organize the interviews.

Chair Pedraza and Vice Chair Singer attended a Big Ten Academic Alliance meeting (BTAA). They met with senate leaders from Rutgers University, the University of Maryland, Ohio State University, Purdue University, The University of Wisconsin, The University of Iowa, the University of Minnesota, The University of Nebraska, Northwestern University, and Indiana University and Penn State University. Present and past officers of the university senates were in attendance. They also discussed the inclusion of clinical faculty and lecturers being included for representation. Chair Pedraza and Vice Chair Singer are now on list-serves to maintain communication with their colleagues. Their colleagues commended our Michigan representatives for bravery in discussing these topics. The University of Maryland has collected data and is sharing it with colleagues. The issue of inclusion varies and considers who is to be included and who will be

heard. Every voice is not equal if included, but every voice might not be included. It was suggested that we might want to revise the COVID policy for the fall.

3:30 Welcome visit with Provost Laurie K. McCauley and Christine Gerdes
Executive Session

3:50 Provost Visit Debrief Executive Session

4:05 Faculty Awards Discussion. Decisions were made for recipients of the Distinguished Faculty Governance Award and the Regents Award for Distinguished Public Service

A discussion of further definitions of public service and community service would be beneficial for next year. A subgroup of SACUA members will be taking this on for the next year. Executive Session & vote

4:35 Roster and Charge for Faculty Senate Restructuring Working Group: The vote to approve the charge and roster were unanimous. Executive Session & vote

4:45 Goals for the Future Executive Session

4:55 Matters Arising Executive Session

5:00 Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 5:09pm

Upcoming Meetings

SACUA - June 13, July 25, August 22

Respectfully Submitted,

Deirdre D. Spencer
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 polices 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."