February 2023

Call meeting to order

Plan to adjourn 5min early to help facilitate Zoom'd out calendars

Attendees (green = present):

- Donny Likosky Med School
- Hani Bawardi CollCollege Arts & Sciences (Dearborn)
- Naomi Binnie University Library
- Tom Braun (SAUCA Liaison)
- Adam Burak Engineering
- Arlo Clark-Foos CASL (Dearborn)
- Gabriela Hristova College Arts & Sciences (Flint)
- Jacob Lederman Dept Behavioral Sciences (Flint)
- Massy Mutumba Nursing
- Karen Staller Social Work
- Chuanwu (Wu) Xi Public Health
- Eric Vandenberghe U-M Faculty Senate
- Lucas McCarthy U-M Faculty Senate
- January 2023 minutes: January 2023 Meeting minutes
- SACUA Approved Charge
- 1. Call to order, approval of agenda and minutes
- 2. Announcements
- 3. Evaluation of Deans and Department Chairs
 - a. Feedback to enhance and add precision to Ann Arbor process, recommendations
 - Review "Process for the Provost of Deans (Ann Arbor)" document
- 4. Evaluation of processes for UM employees experiencing harassment and retaliation
 - a. Provide examples or descriptions of content, layout, etc. for potential central webpage for procedure implementation.
 - b. Craft rough draft identifying issue of improving respondents' resources

February Business

Evaluation of Deans and Department Chairs

- 1. Critically review processes (and their strengths and weaknesses) across UM Schools, Departments and campuses
 - a. Review "Process for the Provost Review of Deans (for review)" file
 - b. Discuss potential improvements that can be recommended
 - c. Start draft of recommendations to be sent to SACUA

Evaluation of processes for UM employees experiencing harassment and retaliation

- 1. Review central web page suggestions
 - a. Recommend specific modifications to faculty grievance resources (e.g., transitioning the grievance form to an electronically available portal on the Academic Human Resources website) to enhance their availability
 - i. What would our "customers" want in terms of resources? Can we make it customer-focused?
 - ii. Each member of COAA consider being put through the grievance and identify potential roadblocks
 - iii. Speak to those who have put in grievances
 - iv. Speak to Academic HR who identify a grievance monitor for the faculty
 - 1. What would be the barriers to create such a resource?
 - 2. Codify and examine the effectiveness of the role of the Ombuds in the process (pre, during and post)?
 - v. How to more effectively use the mediation process? Can this be another layer to increase effectiveness?
- 2. Identifying disparity in resources for respondents to harassment and retaliation claims
 - a. Issue: respondents to these claims are not provided resources through the University when the claims are made by the University
 - b. ACTION ITEM: Identify the issue for SACUA
 - i. Recommend a roadmap for addressing the issue through phases:
 - Phase 1: Adopt list of local attorneys with experience with relevant cases and faculty peers who could be trained as faculty support persons
 - 2. Phase 2: Address the resource disparities stemming from Faculty out-of-pocket coverage of legal expenses.