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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs
Monday, March 13, 2023, 3:00
The virtual meeting was held in 1100 Ruthven and via Zoom

In-Person Attendance: Chair Liu, Vice Chair Braun, Professor Partridge, FSO
Director McCarthy, FSO Coordinator Vandenberghe, Secretary Spencer

Remote Attendance: Professor Cushing, Professor Modrak, Professor Toyama

Absent: Professor Admon, Professor Pedraza, Professor Villalobos

Guests: GEO President Jared Eno, GEO Vice President Ember McCoy

Press: Jamie Iseler – *University Record* -- Remote
There was no representation from the *Michigan Daily*

3:02 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:02. -- A revision to the minutes of March 6th was recited by the chair. A vote was passed to approve the revised minutes. The chair announced that at the SACUA meeting on April 3rd there will be an ask for candidates to run for SACUA. On April 10th SACUA will vote for chair and vice chair.

3:05 SACUA Chair Updates – Chair Liu and Professors Toyama and Villalobos will be rolling off SACUA. Chair Liu will stay on as immediate past chair and non-voting member. The chair and vice chair attended a breakfast panel event on the intersection of climate, public health, and data with Dr. Tedros Ghebreyesus, the World Health Organization Director General. The panel event was recorded. On April 14th, there will be a SACUA-sponsored focus group to provide feedback on the visioning process for the President's office. There will also be all-faculty town halls to receive input on April 6th (in-person) and April 17th (virtual). Discussions are occurring with the *Record* to have an article published regarding the ECRT revising their website and reporting form to address anti-caste discrimination, following the Faculty Senate's ongoing efforts to address caste-based discrimination and harassment.

3:15 Senate Assembly Agenda Vote

SACUA voted to approve the agenda for the March 20th Senate Assembly meeting. The meeting will include a visit from President Ono, faculty presentations, nominations for SACUA candidates from the floor and each of the eleven candidates will have time to make presentations.

Executive Session

3:36 Processes for Moving Programs - Executive Session

3:45 Faculty Awards Discussion – Executive Session

4:00 Nomination Vetting – Executive Session

4:10 GEO Guests: -- Executive Session -- GEO President Jared Eno and Vice President Ember McCoy

4:40 Matters Arising -- We will link GEO's point of view in the faculty senate newsletter along with that of the provost. We can revisit old language drafted regarding GEO strike in 2020 as a possible basis for a statement regarding a strike this year, if needed.

4:56 – Adjourned.

Addendum

SACUA Actions

Between meetings, SACUA has performed the following actions that should be included in the SACUA minutes:

- On March 8th, SACUA voted on nominations for the Honorary Degree Committee. Due to their terms ending, three faculty members need to be replaced. Under the Regents' Bylaws, SACUA must nominate six faculty members, and the President will select three. SACUA voted on seven nominations, resulting in five members being nominated: Audrey Bennett, Patricio G. Herbst, Tom Braun, Anna Stefanopoulou, and Nicole Ellison. The sixth nomination deadlocked in a tie between Devon Powers and Francine Dolins. To break the tie, SACUA is electronically voting again to select between just the two of them and Francine Dolins was selected.

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 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."