THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs
Monday, December 4, 2023, 3:00
The hybrid meeting was held in 1100 Ruthven and remotely via Zoom.

In-Person Attendance: Chair Tom Braun, Vice Chair Damani Partridge, Prof. Heather O’Malley, FSO Director Luke McCarthy, Coordinator Eric Vandenberghe, Secretary Deirdre Spencer

Remote Attendance: Prof. Simon Cushing, Prof. Anouck Girard, Prof Allen Liu, Prof. Vilma Mesa, Prof. Alex Yi

Absent, Prof. Rebekah Modrak and Prof. Silvia Pedraza

Press: Katie Kelson – University Record,
There was no representation from the Michigan Daily.

Call to Order, Minutes, Announcements
The meeting was Called to Order at 3:04
There were two sets of minutes approved by consent: one from November 20th and one from November 27th.

Executive Session:
3:05 Discussion of Recent Campus Events

Executive Session – Vote:
3:40 Grievance Appeal
SACUA voted unanimously to approve a decision on a grievance appeal.

Executive Session
3:55 Tenure Concerns at Flint

Executive Session – Vote:
4:25 Senate Assembly Agenda Approval
The vote to approve the agenda was unanimous.
SACUA voted to postpone to the next meeting a discussion of agenda construction and the Chair’s newsletter to faculty.

4:40 Matters Arising – There were none.

4:45 Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 4:47

Respectfully submitted,

Deirdre D. Spencer
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.”