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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs

Monday, March 11, 2024, 3:00

The hybrid meeting was held in 1100 Ruthven and via Zoom

In Person Attendance – Chair Tom Braun, Vice Chair Damani Partridge, FSO Director Lucas McCarthy, Professor Vilma Mesa, Professor Heather O'Malley, FSO Director Ann Marshall, Secretary Deirdre Spencer

Remote Attendance -- Professor Simon Cushing, Professor Allen Liu, Professor Rebekah Modrak, Professor Silvia Pedraza, Professor Alex Yi

Absent: Professor Lindsay Admon

Guests: Professor Elizabeth Cole, Professor Earl Lewis

Press: Alexis Jade Spector *The Michigan Daily*,
Katie Kelton *The University Record*

Agenda Items

Time Topic Action Item

3:00 Come to Order and Minutes Approval

The meeting was called to order at 3:04. The minutes were approved by consent.

There were no chair updates at this time.

3:05 Recommendation to make the Rules, Practices, and Policies Committee (RPP) a standing committee

The RPP has recommended to SACUA that it continue as a permanent committee. SACUA began a discussion of the history of the RPP and whether to make it a standing committee. However, the discussion was not completed before SACUA needed to attend to other matters. It will be continued in a future meeting. The vote regarding RPP was postponed.

3:10 Inclusive History Project -- Executive Session

3:40 Senate Assembly Agenda Approval Vote – The vote was postponed.

3:45 Guest Presentation -- Executive Session

4:15 Matters Arising –

Discussion of the guest's presentation ran overtime, and no SACUA member raised any matters arising to discuss.

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

Upcoming Meetings

- 3/18 Senate Assembly
- 3/25 SACUA
- 4/1 SACUA
- 4/8 SACUA
- 4/15 Senate Assembly
- 4/22 SACUA
- 4/29 SACUA
- 5/6 SACUA
- 5/13 SACUA
- 5/20 SACUA

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."