Approval of Agenda and Minutes

The Michigan State University Faculty Senate held a meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom with Chairperson Jack W. Lipton presiding. The agenda was approved as presented. The draft minutes of the January 23, 2024 meeting were approved as presented.

Remarks

Chairperson Jack Lipton gave remarks.[[1]](#footnote-2)

Annual Faculty and Academic Staff Compensation Recommendation

University Committee on Faculty Affairs Chairperson Jamie Alan gave a brief presentation on the compensation recommendations from UCFA.

Update Regarding Faculty Senate Call for Climate Survey Resolution

Chairperson Jack Lipton gave a short update.

Internal and External University Communications

Vice President for Media & Public Information and University Spokesperson Emily Gerkin and Guerrant Vice President for Marketing, Public Relations, and Digital Strategy Heather Swain gave a presentation on University Communications role at the university and what they do to bolster the university reputation.

Ad Hoc Committee on Free Speech and Hate Speech

Chairperson Jack Lipton reminded the senate on the status of the committee and a resolution was made for a self-nominee form for the committee. It was passed.

MSU Divestment Resolution

This item was tabled until next meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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Secretary for Academic Governance
**Approved:**

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| **Attendance** |
| **Present**  | 62 |
| **Absent**  | 19 |
| **Total**  | 81 |
| **Quorum**  | 41.5 |

| **Constituency/Title**   | **Name**  | **Attendance**   |
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| Academic Specialist Advisory Committee | Kelly Hodges | Present  |
|  Agriculture and Natural Resources | Satish Joshi | Present  |
|  Agriculture and Natural Resources | Matt Raven | Present  |
|  Agriculture and Natural Resources | Jeff Swada | Present  |
|  Agriculture and Natural Resources | Lorraine Weatherspoon | Present  |
|  Agriculture and Natural Resources | Cimberly Weir | Present  |
|  Arts and Letters | David Medei | Present  |
|  Arts and Letters | Brahim Chakrani | Present  |
|  Arts and Letters | Danielle DeVoss | Present  |
|  Arts and Letters | Zach Kaiser | Present  |
|  Arts and Letters | Kristen Mapes | Present  |
|  Associated Students of Michigan State University | Connor Le | Present  |
|  At Large | Jack Lipton | Present  |
|  At Large | Rebecca Malouin | Present  |
|  At Large | Justin St. Charles | Present  |
|  At Large | Angela Wilson | Present  |
|  At-Large, Arts and Letters | d'Ann de Simone | Present  |
|  Business | Ayalla Ruvio | Present  |
|  Business | John Spink | Present  |
|  Business | Quan Zhang | Absent  |
|  Communication Arts and Sciences | Dan Hiaeshutter-Rice | Present  |
|  Communication Arts and Sciences | Rabindra "Robby" Ratan | Present  |
|  Communication Arts and Sciences | Alexandra Thrubis Stanley | Absent  |
|  Council of Graduate Students | Hannah Jeffery | Present  |
|  Education | Amelia Gotwals | Absent  |
|  Education | Matthew Pontifex | Absent  |
|  Education | John Carlson | Absent  |
|  Emeriti Faculty | Gary Stone | Absent  |
|  Engineering | Chengcheng Fang | Present  |
|  Engineering | Nizar Lajnef | Present  |
|  Engineering | Mark Worden | Present  |
|  Engineering | Neil Wright | Present  |
|  Executive Vice President for Health Sciences | Norman Beauchamp | Present  |
|  Faculty Grievance | Francisco Villarruel | Absent  |
|  FRIB | Chris Wrede | Present  |
|  Human Medicine | Scott Counts | Present  |
|  Human Medicine | James (Jim) Anthony | Present  |
|  Human Medicine | Cristian Meghea | Present  |
|  Human Medicine | Michael Williams | Present  |
|  Human Medicine | Hua Xiao | Present  |
|  Interim President | Teresa Woodruff | Present  |
|  Interim Provost | Thomas Jeitschko | Present  |
|  James Madison | Daniel Ahlquist | Present  |
|  James Madison | Russell Lucas | Present  |
|  Law | David Favre | Present  |
|  Law | Noga Morag-Levine | Present  |
|  Libraries | Tad Boehmer | Present  |
|  Libraries | Kathleen Weessies | Present  |
|  Lyman Briggs | Samantha Cass | Present  |
|  Lyman Briggs | Stef Shuster | Absent  |
|  Lyman Briggs | Peter White | Present  |
|  Music | Guy Yehuda | Absent  |
|  Music | Jane Bunnell | Absent  |
|  Natural Science | Gustavo de los Campos | Absent  |
|  Natural Science | Francois Greer | Absent  |
|  Natural Science | Brian Gulbransen | Present  |
|  Natural Science | Min-Hao Kuo | Present  |
|  Natural Science | Aaron Odom | Present  |
|  Nursing | Gayle Lourens | Absent  |
|  Nursing | Chastity Warren | Present  |
|  Osteopathic Medicine | Jason Bazil | Absent  |
|  Osteopathic Medicine | Janice Schwartz | Present  |
|  Osteopathic Medicine | Amit Sachdev | Absent  |
|  RCAH | John Aerni-Flessner | Present  |
|  RCAH | Tama Hamilton-Wray | Present  |
|  Social Science | Laurie Bulock | Present  |
|  Social Science | Guo Chen | Present  |
|  Social Science | James Dulebohn | Absent Patricia Machemer |
|  Social Science | Raymond Jussaume | Present  |
|  Social Science | Zeenat Kotval-Karamchandani | Present  |
|  UCAG | Dean Rehberger | Present  |
|  UCC | Valeta Wensloff | Present  |
|  UCFA | Jamie Alan | Present  |
|  UCFT | Sue Barman | Present  |
|  UCGS | Trixie Smith | Present  |
|  UCL | Jackeline Iseler | Absent  |
|  UCSLE | Jeffrey Tsang | Present  |
|  UCUE | Antoinette Tesmmer | Present  |
|  Veterinary Medicine | Stephan Carey | Absent  |
|  Veterinary Medicine | Sean Crosson | Present  |
|  Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Dean of Undergraduate Studies | Mark Largent | Absent  |

1. A video of their remarks (and the rest of the meeting) can be found at <https://acadgov.msu.edu/facultysenate>. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)