**Present:** J. Alan, A. Burt (for S. Barman), N. Beauchamp, S. Chamoun, d. de Simone, A. Hakim, E. Hoyumpa, H. Jeffery, T. Jeitschko, J. Iseler, C. Le, J. Lipton, R. Malouin, T. Silvestri, T. Smith,   
J. St. Charles, A. Tessmer, V. Wensloff, A. Wilson

**Absent:** T. Woodruff

## **Approval** of Agenda and Minutes

The Steering Committee of Michigan State University held a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 9 at 3:15 p.m. via Zoom with Chairperson Jack Lipton presiding. The agenda was approved as presented. The draft minutes of the December 5, 2023 meeting were approved as presented.

## Reports

The committee heard oral reports from the standing committees and student governments, as well as a brief message from the Secretary for Academic Governance.

## Proposed Ad Hoc Committee on Free Speech

The committee discussed the historic process of creating the composition of ad hoc committees to consider moving forward with the proposed one. A general composition and procedure were outlined and approved by the committee.

## Check-in on Proposed Pregnancy, Childbirth, and other Pregnancy-Related Conditions for Students and Employees Policy

Standing committees have begun discussing the policies.

## Update on Union of Tenure System Faculty

Faculty Senator Jane Bunnell gave an update on the status of UTSF. They have filed with the board of trustees after reaching the required percentage of signings.

## Interim Secretary for Academic Governance

CLOSED COMMITTEE

## Develop Faculty Senate Agenda

By consent, the committee approved agendas for the January 23rd Faculty Senate and January 30th University Council meeting**s.**

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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Secretary for Academic Governance

**Approved:**