

## Report to the Steering Committee | March 5, 2024

### Actions Taken at Recent Meetings

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#### February 8, 2024

- We discussed: Voting on Academic Governance committees/boards/councils – do we need new set of bylaws. For general meetings of UCAG (and other academic governance entities), is the use of Zoom polling a correct method to be used? Informal motion passed: “A de facto use of open polling is not appropriate for general meetings.” (Votes are not anonymous unless they are voted to be anonymous). We discussed: Temporary replacement for Secretary of Academic Governance – nothing in the bylaws states who replaces Secretary of Academic Governance if they cannot appear at a meeting. Proposed motion. If the Secretary of Academic Governance cannot attend a meeting, they designate a replacement. If they are incapacitated, then it would be an appointment by the Provost. Motion passed We discussed: that selecting & ranking candidates for committees/boards/councils – usually this is done in January, when we are given a pool from secretary of academic governance. But would not come until March meetings and we needed to prepare.

#### February 22, 2024

- We discussed: Questions given to us about the Athletic Council and the Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR). We moved to informally suggest recommendations to University Council 1. Administrators should not make changes to positions or composition of committees without consulting bylaws. There should only be one FAR as specified in the 2. Bylaw changes should be made for the Faculty Athletic Representative(s) (5.2.3.4) to reflect current practices. 3. Term limits (if any) should be specified for the Faculty Athletic Representative(s). Should also clarify who the FAR represents and duties (ambiguous at best). 4. Application process should be consistent and clarified. 5. The Policies/Constitution for the Athletic Council should be brought in line with the Bylaws for the Athletic Council, particularly in terms of the FAR and overall faculty representation (as well as language "Faculty Representative" vs. "Faculty Athletic Representative" and role "ex officio" vs "ex officio member without vote").

## **Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings**

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Determining the pool for Academic Governance committees/boards/councils.

## **Requested Support from the Steering Committee**

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They act quickly on the Athletic Council and the Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) issues. Tragic consequences have come from ignoring lack of reporting and reporting issues and assuming they can wait as other fires are put out.

## **Other**

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Not at this time other than to thank the good work Heidi Pineda is doing.

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#### February 20, 2024

- Voted on Emeritum Status, voted on proposed changes to the faculty rights and responsibilities.

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We are eager to revisit the course fee courtesy policy.

### Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance

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Not applicable.

### Other

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- Progress on benefits for 9-month faculty during summer.
- Progress on Course Fee Courtesy for opposite-sex domestic partners, equal to those for same-sex domestic partners.

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#### **February 14, 2024**

- Continue to review requests for an extension of the tenure clock.

### **Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings**

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The committee is planning to discuss extension requests.

### **Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance**

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Not applicable.

### **Other**

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Not applicable.

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#### February 19, 2024

- 1. Discussion regarding shared programs policy - Rep Becky Keogh. 2. approval of several program requests: 1. \*\*Request to change the requirements for Master of Arts Degree in Media and Information. 2. \*\*Request to change the requirements for the Doctor of Education degree in Educational Leadership in the Department of Educational Administration. 3. \*\*Request to change the requirements for the Master of Business Administration degree in STEM in The Eli Broad College of Business and Graduate School of Management. 4. \*Request to establish a Graduate Certificate in Health and Risk Communication in the College of Communication Arts and Sciences. (Ralf Schmaelzle). 5. \*Request to establish a Master of Science degree in Integrated Secondary Science Education in the Department of Teacher Education. (Gail Richmond & Matt Oney). 6. \*Requesting that the Rhetoric and Writing PhD program be taken out of moratorium. (Liza Potts)

### Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings

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More program requests/revisions, the questions on the form for program requests and revisions, charge subcommittee on Graduate Instruction, Employment, & Mentoring

### Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance

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Not applicable.

### Other

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Not applicable.

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#### **February 16, 2024**

- UCSLE met on February 16th, 2024. During this meeting, we received presentations from Ray Gasser on the renovations occurring to Campbell Hall and from Erin Carter on the Student Success Efforts for the MSU2030 Plan. No further business was discussed and our next meeting is March 15th, 2024.

### **Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings**

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Not applicable.

### **Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance**

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Not applicable.

### **Other**

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Not applicable.

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- UCUE supported: - A Request for a New Integrated Science-Secondary Education Coordinate Major in Lyman Briggs College - A Request for a New Bachelor of Science Degree in Technology Engineering - A Request to Change the Admission to the College statement in the College of Engineering - A Request to Change the Graduation Requirements for All Majors statement in the College of Engineering - A Request to Require a Grade of 2.0 in Certain Courses in the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science.

#### February 22, 2024

- UCUE supported: • A Request for a New Minor in Digital Storytelling • A Request for a New Bachelor of Arts Degree in Nonprofit Leadership, Religion, and Social Change • A Request for a New Minor in Screenwriting UCUE send back to James Madison College (reason: all four requests require more than 120 credits for graduation (~140 credits) which UCUE considers unreasonable and unequitable (financial aid is dropped past 120 credits)): • A Request for a New Bachelor of Arts Degree in Comparative Cultures and Politics-Secondary Education • A Request for a New Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Relations-Secondary Education • A Request for a New Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Theory and Constitutional Democracy-Secondary Education • A Request for a New Bachelor Arts Degree in Social Relations and Policy-Secondary Education UCUE was informed of pending changes to Shared Programs (UG2G)

### Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings

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Discussion on essential features of a digital learning platform to support student success

### Requested Support from the Office of Academic Governance

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I was wondering if there was any progress with request for ISP representation on UCUE. I was told that it has been approved by UCAG.

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#### February 1, 2024

- Bills passed: Support and Expand Community Engaged Learning at Michigan State University, Advocate for the Implementation of an Emergency Contraceptive and Harm Reduction (Naloxone) Vending Machine Pilot Program on Michigan State University's Campus, Reform Parking, Appoint SAB Members

#### February 15, 2024

- Bills passed: ADP Revisions, Lauren's Promise, Divestment, Berkey Hall

### Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings

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The committee is planning to wrap up this session and prepare for the next one.

### Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance

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Not applicable.

### Other

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Not applicable.



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#### February 21, 2024

- Mental health, student radio fees, amending COGS bylaws, divestment from Israel, 2/13 memorial committee update, Recreational and Wellness Center fee, Ad Hoc Committee on Free Speech and Hate Speech

### Anticipated Items at Upcoming Meetings

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The committee is planning to discuss mental health, student radio fees, Rec Center fee update, amendments to COGS bylaws, event funding requests, divestment from Israel (does anyone want to pursue this?).

### Requested Support from the Steering Committee and/or the Office of Academic Governance

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Not applicable.

### Other

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Not applicable