

2/8/24 UCAG Committee minutes

Meeting Participants: Dean Rehberger (chair), Mary Juzwik (secretary), Arthur Versluis, Elizabeth Gardner, Daniel Kramer, Martin Crimp, Jiyong Ling, Kara Yermak, Teresa Mastin, Diana Bello, Rick Hallgren, Jerry Urquhart, Bari Olivier, Cynthia Fiser, Grardo Melgar, Gordon Sly, Hibah Khan, John Fitzsimmons, Julia Ezzo,

1. Approval February 8, 2024, Agenda
2. Remarks 2.1. Chair Dean Rehberger
 - Question about why there is no longer support from acadgov office for this committee. Answer: there is not sufficient bandwidth in the office to offer this service at this time.
3. Old Business
 - 3.1. CUE Membership Questions – yes, proceed
 - 3.2. Selection of Faculty for honorary degree – clarification about what ex officio means in this case. Also, why are only tenure system members allowed on the committee? Past conversation about why didn't this initially come to our committee (vs. us reacting to them)?
 - 3.3. We don't have minutes from past meetings
4. New Business
 - 4.1. 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? The 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).
 - 4.2. 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. The motion passed.
 - 4.3. Selecting & ranking candidates for committees/boards/councils – usually this is done in January, when we are given a pool from secretary of academic governance. The problem is that this year, the pool of people was never made. What this means is that the process will continue, but we will not receive the pool until our next meeting on 2/22, so it will need to be done quickly. Be prepared for some heavy lifting in a couple weeks. If you could, in general, try to keep this slot open Thursday afternoons. Apologies for this crunch.
5. Roundtable
 - It's odd that now that everyone is zooming, we are starting these meetings at 3:15. Could we start at 3?
 - i. Next meeting (on zoom) at 3 pm.
 - How will the search committee for the secretary of academic governance be formed?
 - i. It's a search underway. Folks are encouraged to apply.

Meeting Zoom: <https://msu.zoom.us/j/91604753467> Passcode: acadgov