

**Senate Steering Committee**  
**Agenda**  
**March 5, 2009**  
**3:00-5:00 P.M.**  
**226 Tigert**

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Attendees:

Jack Mecholsky  
Jacob Chung  
Danaya Wright  
Jane Brockmann  
Sue Percival  
David Quillen  
Barbara wingo

Frank bova  
Ellis greiner  
Chris Snodgrass  
Rick Yost  
Ken Gerhardt  
Dedee DeLongpre  
Jim Seale  
Cathy Martyniak

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 PM

The February 5, 2009 minutes were approved.

**Reports:**

• **Chair's Report**

**Frank Bova, Chair**

A change in library fines will give money back to library to replace books that are lost. If a book is late you get a certain number of notices, then you get a notice that the book will be replaced and a fine will be established. The issue will go before the Welfare council for discussion and the Welfare council will report back to Steering.

A May Senate meeting will be scheduled for May 14.

A report on the new UCC structure by the two co-chairs will be given in May. .

Academic calendars- a faculty task force will be established to look at the academic calendar. Administrators will be on the task force as liaisons. The task force will need to determine if we are still bound by the old BOG rules for when we start and finish.

Some concerns to take into consideration are: modular classes and housing concerns. The task force will be charged and will bring recommendations forward in September and October.

Jane Brockmann moved to take calendar proposal that APC approved to the Senate. The Steering committee decided to move for approval of calendars for the next three years (2012, 2013 and 2014) and then if the committee has changes to make, the Senate will vote on the changes.

**Council Reports:**

**Academic Policy Council**

**Danaya Wright, Chair**

Committee will be charged with reviewing proposal to create an academic work plan.

**Infrastructure Council**

**Jane Brockmann, Chair**

Chuck Frazier and Mark Orazem explained the governance aspects of the IT reorganization plan. The council also had a course management system discussion. The council would like to submit a Green team resolution to the

Senate. The resolution will be presented with Dedee DeLongpre's item. There will also be an IT presentation to the Senate in March.

### **Welfare Council**

**Susan Percival**, Chair

The council is working on student perceptions of teaching. Current questions come from the old Board of Regents. The council is also looking at the questions themselves and the statistics used to record statistics. Rick Yost will ask chairs of the Senate's from across the state to send in questions they use.

### **Research and Scholarship Council**

**Jacob Chung**, Chair

Win Phillips talked about RCM and possible implications for research. The council has invited Matt Fajack to the next meeting to discuss RCM. External research funding has increased. Brandy Boniface, Assistant Director Research Programs, will also meet with the council to discuss export control. The council is concerned with this issue. Problems are that violations may not be obvious but can carry severe penalties.

### **Budget Council**

**David Quillen**, Chair

The council reviewed the budget principle document and decided to keep most recent one. The council also discussed RCM.

## **Information Items:**

### **Graduate Council Items**

**Ken Gerhardt**, Associate Dean of the Graduate School

Proposal to create a M.S. in Biostatistics, PHHP

Sunset Doctorate Degree in Computer & Information Science, College of Engineering

These items will be on the Senate agenda as information for the March meeting.

### **Committee on Committees Conflict of Interest Committee Recommended Language**

**Ellis Greiner**, COC chair

The COC will finalize a charge for the committee and remove the part about the grievance process with the HSC. These recommendations will be presented as information at the March Senate meeting.

### **Constitution Committee Bylaw 22 and Constitution Article VI**

**Cathy Martyniak**, Constitution Committee Chair

This item will be an information item at the March Senate meeting.

### **Sustainability Information**

**Dedee DeLongpre**, Director of the Office of Sustainability

The committee discussed green teams and the green team resolution which Danaya Wright will draft. The committee also discussed the Tigert Hall energy efficiency program. The committee suggested posting the green teams on Office of Sustainability web site.

### **Honorary Degrees Nominees Dave Denslow, chair Honorary Degrees committee**

Dave Denslow presented five nominees who were all endorsed by the committee and departments.

This item will be an action item at the March meeting.

## **Action Item:**

Approval of the March 19, 2009 Senate agenda

The agenda was approved pending the addition of the honorary degrees candidates and the sustainability resolution to the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM