



Data Governance and Strategy Council | July 10, 202

Action Items

- Data Stewards: Identify data custodians for each data area. Luke will send out individual requests.
- All: Review and provide feedback on Data Governance and Strategy Council Charge
- All: Review and provide feedback on the draft data governance policy.
- UDA: Develop data literacy and training opportunities for AY 2026-27. Share with Council for feedback.

Overall Takeaway

The council will help MSU improve how institutional data is managed, protected, shared, and used. Its work will focus on practical policies, clear roles, better communication, and coordinated data initiatives across campus.

Meeting Notes

- Members agreed that success means having accurate, secure, and accessible data supported by clear communication and collaboration.
- Ryan Knutson emphasized executive support and encouraged members to openly raise concerns and share lessons learned.
- Luke reviewed the council's structure and the roles of executive sponsors, data stewards, data custodians, IT leads, faculty representatives, and the UDA team.
- Data conflicts should first be resolved among the involved parties, then escalated to executive sponsors and, when necessary, the president.
- MSU is developing a unified data governance policy that recognizes data as a strategic asset while allowing each campus to address local needs.
- Research data may require a separate subgroup or additional policy guidance.
- Upcoming council work will include the Edify data warehouse, data catalog, access permissions, data definitions, and data literacy training.
- Data stewards are expected to share council updates and reporting changes with their teams and leadership.
- The council will meet monthly, with smaller workgroups and follow-up meetings used as needed.