

University Council MINUTES
September 6, 2023
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
SUB, Room 235

Members:

Waded Cruzado, Dean Adams, Justin Arndt, Sreekala Bajwa, Matt Caires, Leon Costello, Chris Dobbs, Ariel Donohue, Jonathan Dove, Tracy Eellig, Colter Ellis, Stephanie Erdmann, Chris Fastnow, Beverly Garrison, Stephanie Gray, Jeannette Grey Gilbert, Brett Gunnink, Alison Harmon, Stefani Hicswa, John How, Yves Idzerda, Greg Kegel, Ryan Knutson, Chere LeClair, Ilse-Mari Lee, Terry Leist, Mary Jane McGarity, Dan Miller, Bob Mokwa, Doralyn Rossmann, Tricia Seifert, Steve Swinford, Kim Obbink, Craig Ogilvie, Kellie Peterson, Sarah Shannon, Cody Stone, Amber Vestal, Kristof Zaba, Jacob Zink

I. Call to Order

Provost Mokwa called meeting to order at 8:30am.

II. Approval of Minutes for August 9, 2023

Sreekala Bajwa moved to approve minutes; John How seconded and the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. University Wide Information/ Announcements

Provost Mokwa shared the first Provost's Lecture Series features Dr. Clem Izurieta.

IV. Public Comment

Paul LaChapelle provided comments about a climate solutions group.

V. Old Items

A. Sports Facilities policy revision

Chris Hayden, Director, Sports Facilities

Justin Arndt shared there were no further comments for requests or changes. The policy was approved unanimously.

B. Lost and Found policy

Camie Bechtold, Advisor to Office of Compliance

Minor updates were offered to enhance clarity. The policy was approved unanimously.

VI. New Items

A. Social Media policy

Tracy Eellig, Vice President for University Communications

The policy is for university business and employees who conduct university business on a social media site.

B. Classification and Acceptance of External Funding policy revision

Camie Bechtold, Advisor to Office of Compliance

Camie shared updates include the title; expanded to include all external funding; added VP Research and Economic Development as responsible party.

VII. Informational Items

- A. Division of Student Success name change
Steve Swinford, Vice President for Student Success

Vice President Swinford shared the name is now “Student Success.”

- B. Web Accessibility policy update
Justin Arndt, Chief Compliance Officer

Justin shared friendly amendments to comply with Office of Civil Rights.

- C. Choosing Promise: Priority Goals for Academic Year 2025
Chris Fastnow, Director, Office of Planning & Analysis

Chris spoke about goals, including educational outcomes for all students and student success across their academic lifetime; foster culture of collaboration, continuous improvement and individual growth; and values of MSU include excellence, integrity, inclusion, collaboration, curiosity, and stewardship.

- B. Updates

Campus executives provided around-the-table updates.

NOTE: The next University Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 4, 2023, from 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM in SUB, Room 235.