

ACADEMIC SENATE
September 12, 2006
4:00 PM
Brockmann Conference Room

Members Present - Larry Strizich, Greg Clouse, Lanny Wilke, Cheri Jimeno, Wane Boysun, Terry Blosser, Brian Gilmartin, Jay Howland

Call to order - President Strizich called the meeting to order at 4 PM in the Brockmann Conference Room.

Minutes – The minutes of August 24, 2006 were approved as distributed.

Administrative Reports – none

Old Business:

Curtis Smeby was unable to attend this meeting so discussion of the Teacher Education Council by-laws will be postponed until next meeting. Curtis will locate and/or ascertain the status of the TEC bylaws and acquire a copy of the document to be included with the Senate Bylaws.

President Strizich opened nominations for vice president. Wane Boysun nominated Greg Clouse. There were no further nominations. Greg Clouse was unanimously elected vice president.

New Business:

Lanny Wilke moved to accept the paperwork recommending William Thackeray for emeritus status and to recommend approval of emeritus status. Brian Gilmartin seconded. Motion passed. President Strizich will forward the recommendation and paperwork to the Chancellor.

On the agenda for the next meeting will be a discussion of the new minimum course grades policy, pass/fail, and "D" transfer policies. Academic senate members are asked to do some research on those subjects before the meeting.

Proposals:

06-01 **Include CIS 111 in Category IX General Education**

Proposal was originally numbered 05-39 and was renumbered and resubmitted 06-01 for this year. Proposal was resent to Gen Ed committee. Greg Clouse moved for approval by ACAD senate of proposal 06-01. Mr. Clouse stated the proposal was approved last year by Gen Ed and should not have been resubmitted. He asked that the proposal be retrieved from the general education committee and he will approve both proposals for last years General Education committee. Brian Gilmartin seconded. Motion to approve passed. The proposal will not be sent to the curriculum committee but will go forward to full faculty.

06-02 **Proposal to Implement a Faculty Mentoring Program at MSU-Northern**

Received 9/5/06 at ACAD senate. Wane Boysun moved to approve. Brian Gilmartin seconded. Motion passed. Proposal will be sent to full faculty for vote.

06-03 **Use of Plus/Minus Grades in Assigning Course Grades.**

Received 9/11/06 at ACAD senate. Greg Clouse moved to approve. Brian Gilmartin seconded. Motion passed. Proposal will be sent to full faculty for vote.

Committee Reports – none

Special Reports –

Larry Strizich will send an e-mail regarding the At-Large senate sub-committee election. Only one petition was received for each sub-committee so no election will be necessary. The College of Technical Sciences is the only college that has submitted their sub-committee membership so Larry will remind the others to turn their names in.

Announcements -

Adjourned – Meeting adjourned.