

Advisory Council Minutes

Date: January 25, 2024

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Present: Gregory D. Kegel, Jennifer Brown, Chris Wendland, Amber Spring, Beth Durodoye, Carmen Lunak, Christian Oberquell, Jaime Duke, Jennifer Anderson, Jessica Fagerbakke, Jodi Kueffler, Joseph Todd, Laura Gomez, Linda Osterman, Marianne Hoppe, Sarah Velk, Steven Don, Valerie Guyant

October 26, 2023 Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy Review

Policy #406 Immunization Requirements for Nursing

Interim Dean Jaime Duke presented Policy #406 Immunization Requirements for Nursing, which updated review dates and formatting changes. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the policy as presented. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1001.3 Non-Employees in the Work Place

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1001.3 Non-Employees in the Work Place, which updated review dates and formatting changes. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the policy as presented. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1001.8 Nursing Mother Accommodation

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1001.8 Nursing Mother Accommodation, which updated review dates and changed references from Human Resources Director to Human Resources Department. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the policy as revised. Said motion was approved.

Policy #1001.10 Hiring and Recruitment of Faculty Professional/Administrative, and Support Staff

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1001.10 Hiring and Recruitment of Faculty Professional/Administrative, and Support Staff, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the policy as revised to change the title of the policy to Recruitment and Hiring of Faculty Professional/Administrative, and Support Staff along with updating the reference to the faculty union. Said motion was seconded and approved.

Policy #1002.1 Campus Appearances of Political Candidates

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1002.1 Campus Appearance of Political Candidates, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the policy as revised with editing changes. Said motion was approved.

Policy #1007 Awarding of Honorary Doctorate degree at MSU-Northern

Chancellor Kegel presented policy #1007 Awarding of Honorary Doctorate degree at MSU-Northern, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the revised policy to remove the land grant reference, update language to be gender neutral, and clarify selection process to the Honorary Doctorate Committee. Said motion was seconded and approved.

Policy #1022 Public Participation Policy

Chancellor Kegel presented policy #1022 Public Participation Policy, which updated review dates and removed reference to Chancellor's Open Forum. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the revised policy to remove reference to faculty in Academic Senate. Said motion was seconded and approved.

Policy #1023 Open Meeting Policy

Chancellor Kegel presented policy #1023 Open Meeting Policy, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made to accept the revised policy to include removal of reference to meeting minutes recording individual member votes, update language to be gender neutral, and update language to executive session from closed meeting. Said motion was seconded and approved.

Updates/Announcements

Chancellor Kegel shared he will be traveling to Seattle, Washington next week to defend our accreditation with Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

Chancellor Kegel reported he has begun strategy meetings to discuss individual strategies and goals for academic programs.

Chancellor Kegel reported the May Board of Regents meeting has been changed from May 15th – 16th to May 22nd – 23rd.

Chancellor Kegel shared Dean Beth Durodoye is chairing the Commencement Speaker Committee.

Chancellor Kegel advised a candidate for Director of Human Resources was here Monday for a campus visit.

Provost Jennifer Brown reported there has been discussion to reorganize academic affairs with the addition of a Dean position to supervise grants.

Provost Brown shared that a new Vice Chancellor for Student Success position has been created to oversee student affairs and enrollment management.

Chancellor Kegel announced the following new hires: Ms. Jessica Fagerbakke, Director of Recruiting; Mr. Scott Guyant, Instruction and Reference Librarian; Mr. Greg Rhines, Web Digital Communication Analyst; Ms. MaeLea Willis, Interim Social Media Coordinator.

Dean Steven Don announced Ms. Laura Gomez is the new Chair of College of Technical Sciences.

Provost Brown announced Ms. Sarah Velk is the new Director of Library Services.

Dean Beth Durodoye announced the Commencement Committee is taking names for commencement speakers.

Ms. Marianne Hoppe asked that everyone encourage their students to register for Duo.

Ms. Sarah Velk announced the Library will be hosting a viewing party for the book *The Lentil Underground* with Liz Carlisle and David Oien on February 15th at 6:30 p.m. in partnership with Montana State Library.

Next Meeting: February 29, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.