

Advisory Council Minutes

Date: October 24, 2024

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Present: Gregory D. Kegel, Jennifer Brown, Joshua Engle, Chris Wendland, Amber Spring, Bridger Beach, Beth Durodoye, Cassandra Olszewski, Christian Oberquell, Dan Ulmen, Jennifer Anderson, Jodi Kueffler, Laura Gomez, Lindsey Brandt-Bennett, Lourdes Caven, Rebecca Farr, Sarah Velk, Steven Don, Tiffany Vickers, Valerie Guyant

September 26, 2024 Minutes

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

Policy Review

Policy #304 University Facilities Planning Board

Mr. Dan Ulmen presented Policy #304 University Facilities Planning Board, which updated review dates and responsible parties. Following discussion, a motion was made to adopt the policy with the Provost added as Co-Chair along with added editing revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #307.1 Safety and Disaster Committee

Vice Chancellor Josh Engle presented Policy #307.1 Safety and Disaster Committee. After discussion the policy was pulled for further review by the Safety and Disaster Committee.

Policy #314.1 Governance of the MSU-Radio Station

Chancellor Greg Kegel presented Policy #314.1 Governance of the MSU-Radio Station, which updated review dates and responsible party. Following discussion, a motion was made to adopt the policy with added editing revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #601.1 Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Recipients

Vice Chancellor Engle presented Policy #601.1 Standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress for Financial Aid Recipients, which updated review dates and responsible party. Following discussion, a motion was made to adopt the policy with added editing revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1004.2 Inclement Weather Policy

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1004.2 Inclement Weather Policy, which updated review dates, department references, and removed references to a Great Falls campus. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the policy with added editing revisions. Said motion carried.

Policy #1004.6 Active Shooter Incident

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1004.6 Active Shooter Incident, which updated review dates and responsible party. Following discussion, a motion was made to table the policy until the next meeting for the Safety and Disaster Committee to review. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1004.7 Emergency Notification Policy

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1004.7 Emergency Notification Policy, which updated review dates, responsible party, and department references. Following discussion, a motion was made to adopt the policy with clarification for number of tests throughout year and added editing revisions. Said motion was seconded and carried.

Policy #1010.1 Distinguished Service Awards

Chancellor Kegel presented Policy #1010.1 Distinguished Service Awards, which updated review dates. Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded to adopt the policy with added editing revisions. Said motion carried.

Updates/Announcements

Chancellor Kegel shared that Vice President Ryan Knutson, MSU Chief Data Officer Jason Browning and Compliance Officer Justin Arndt from Montana State University visited campus yesterday to discuss how we can utilize their resources with policies and compliance. MSU-Northern is an affiliate campus and not a branch campus, but we can still utilize their resources.

Chancellor Kegel reported Mr. Dan Stevenson, Director of Facilities Planning at the Office of Commissioner of Higher Education, advised the Aurora project is ready for the Governor's approval. Once the Governor approves we can move forward with selecting an architect.

Chancellor Kegel advised he participated in the 24th Annual Legends for Lights Pheasant Jamboree earlier this month. This organization gives millions to MSU-Northern in scholarships.

Chancellor Kegel reminded everyone homecoming is scheduled for next week. We are trying to make it bigger and better each year.

Chancellor Kegel shared MSU-Northern Foundation received a \$2 million scholarship donation, which makes are endowments close to \$20 million.

Next Meeting: January 23, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.