



**Eastern Michigan University**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes (approved 5/15/19)**

**Session-13**

3.00—5.00 pm April 17, 2019 310A Student Center

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Present/Voting: Pressley-Sanon, Reedy, Kashliev, Hayworth, Neufeld, McMahon, Curran, Peavler, Sheerin, Waltz, Karpiak, Mehuron, Spragg, Bluhm, Trewn, Willis, Chou, Banjeri, Barton, Leon, Lee, McVey, Mannari, Tout, Millán, Kustron, Cardon, Pittsley-Sousa, Elton

Guests/Non-Voting: Gray, Longworth, Kullburg

I. **Call to Order** 3:03 pm

II. **Approval of the Agenda** 3:04 pm  
*Motion made and seconded, motion carries*

III. **Approval of the Minutes: 04-03-2019** 3:05 pm  
*Motion made and seconded, two revisions made, motion to approve revised minutes carries (1 abstention)*

IV. **Elections** 3:10 pm

A. Senate Officers

- Vice President – Mahmud Rahman nominated

*Motion made and seconded to approve Mahmud Rahman by acclamation, motion carries*

- Membership Coordinator – Monica Millán nominated

*Motion made and seconded to approve Monica Millán by acclamation, motion carries*

- Secretary – Minnie Bluhm

*Motion made and seconded to approve Minnie Bluhm, if she is elected as her department's Senate rep in Fall 2019, motion carries*

B. University Budget Council

Rob Carpenter - *Motion made and seconded to elect Rob Carpenter by acclamation, motion carries*

Alternates: John Stauton (CAS); Bob Okepy (COB)

V. **Discussions**

A. **General Education Writing Intensive Learning Outcomes Revision Vote** 3:20pm  
*Motion made and seconded to accept the revised learning outcomes, motion carries (29 yea)*

B. **President Smith Questions and Answers** 3:30pm  
President Smith agreed that there should be a deliberative approach to decisions about housing; however, maintenance on residence halls has been deferred for many years. He stressed that the RFP process has not started, and he is committed to gaining the faculty's trust and acting in the university's best interests. Senate reps asked questions and further action on housing will be discussed at the May full Senate meeting.

C. **Elimination of Minor Requirement for BA/MA Combination Programs (McVey)** 4:20pm

Eliminating the undergraduate minor for BA/MA combination programs is an option but not required. Programs must also have an exit program should students choose to drop out of the MA program, which would require taking a minor in many cases. Any new BA/MA program proposals must be vetted through the curriculum input process. If you want to see the framework language, speak with McVey.

*Motion made to support the grad council decision about BA/MA combination programs (1 opposed, 1 abstention)*

- D. **Update on Campus Housing/Support for Student Participation** 4:30 pm  
*Tabled*
- VI. **Questions for Committee Chairs** (Barton, Curran, McVey, Karpiak, Trewn, Evett, Carpenter) 4:35 pm  
*Postponed*
- VII. **Provost's Minutes** 4:40 pm  
*Tabled*
- VIII. **Announcements** 4:55 pm
- A. Senate summer session scheduled: Full Senate, Wednesday, May 15, 3-5pm; Executive Board, Tuesday, May 7, 3-5
  - B. End of Year Committee Reports: Shared Google Drive
  - C. Update on Diversity and Inclusion Task Force
- IX. **New Business**
- X. **Adjourn** 5:08 pm