
ACADEMIC AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

Minutes of 18 October 2021

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Faculty Senate Academic and Information Technology Council was called to order at 10:03 a.m. on 18 October 2021, via Webex video conferencing by Amy Bocko, chair.

Members in Attendance: Christopher Biggs, Amy Bocko, Timothy Broadwater, Brian Carnell, Colin Cork, Clifton Ealy, Paul Gallagher, Annette Hamel, Andrew Holmes, Pavel Ikononov, Geraldine Rinna, Zoann Snyder

Member Absent: Cara Masselink, Derrick McIver, Scott Puckett, Evan Stoor

Ex Officio in Attendance: Sarah Summy

Guest(s): Bryon Glock, Director of Information Technology; Arnold Taylor, Interim Deputy Chief Information Officer

Quorum

A quorum was present.

Agenda

[MOTION] It was moved by Ealy, seconded by Cork, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

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[MOTION] It was moved by Cork, seconded by Ealy, to approve the 20 September 2021 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Ikononov joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Reports of Officers

Chair Bocko reported that the council will continue to meet virtually for the remainder of the academic year.

Vice President Summy reported that Director Simpson had resigned from the Executive Board and a new liaison will be assigned once a new director is elected.

Taylor joined the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

Reports of University Representatives

Holmes provided the Office of Information Technology report. He presented the Instructional Technology Spaces Standards and asked for feedback. The report integrates all five learning modalities into a single standards document. The visioning process will be launched in three weeks. Currently in the process of establishing norms and format.

Carnell provided the report of WMUx. He asked for the formation of an Instructional Technology Change Management Committee.

[MOTION] It was moved by Holmes, seconded by Broadwater, to develop a subcommittee of AITC to evaluate the Change Management subcommittee. The motion carried unanimously

Unfinished Business

Chair Bocko reviewed the 2021-22 council charges and made some specific additions to three and five. (The additions noted were not provided in the minutes.)

New Business

Ealy led a discussion regarding existing and proposed Artificial Intelligence (AI) projects on campus. A definition will be developed relevant to WMU.

Adjournment

[MOTION] It was moved by Holmes, seconded by Ealy, to adjourn the meeting at 11:11 a.m. The motion carried unanimously. The Academic and Information Technology Council will meet next on 15 November 2021 virtually via Webex at 10 a.m.

Approval

Submitted by Geraldine Rinna, Secretary

Minutes approved on 15 November 2021.