
CENTERS AND INSTITUTES COMMITTEE**Minutes of 2 September 2026****Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Faculty Senate Centers and Institutes Committee was called to order at 10:28 a.m. on 2 September, via Webex by Janet Hahn, Faculty Senate President.

Members Present: Dustin Altschul, D.Eric Archer, Ron Cisler, Jana Schulman, Lee Wells

Members Absent: Sara Nelson, Matthew Ross

Ex Officio: Andre Venter

Guest(s): Janet Hahn, Faculty Senate President; Decker Hains, Executive Board Director; Sue Brodasky, Faculty Senate Administrator

Quorum

A quorum was present with six members in attendance, of the six needed to establish quorum.

Agenda

A correction was made of the date for the December minutes to be approved.

[MOTION] It was moved by Cisler, seconded by Schulman, to accept the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

Minutes

[MOTION] It was moved by Schulman, seconded by Cisler, to approve the 10 December 2025 minutes as distributed. With one abstention, the motion carried.

[MOTION] It was moved by Schulman, seconded by Cisler, to approve the 11 February 2026 minutes as distributed. With two abstentions, the motion carried.

[MOTION] It was moved by Schulman, seconded by Cisler, to approve the 4 March 2026 minutes as distributed. With one abstention, the motion carried.

Leadership Training

President Hahn led the training with support of Hains and Brodasky.

Officer Elections

[MOTION] It was moved by Altschul, seconded by Schulman, to elect Eric Archer as chair. The motion carried.

[MOTION] It was moved by Cisler, seconded by Archer, to elect Jana Schulman as vice chair. The motion carried.

[MOTION] It was moved by Schulman, seconded by Cisler, to elect Lee Wells as secretary. The motion carried.

Committee 2026-27 Charges

President Hahn charged the committee and gave an overview of the committee's actions should they have recommended changes.

Unfinished Business

Discussion was held regarding the committee's comprised list of centers and institutes that was provided to the administration.

Announcements

Brodasky noted that she will update the membership for the CIC Teams folder for all current committee members.

Adjournment

Chair Archer adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m. The next CIC meeting will be held 16 September via Webex.

Approval

Submitted by Sue Brodasky, attending recording secretary

Minutes were approved on 16 September 2026.