

Meeting Summary
University Senate Meeting
March 24, 2016, 3:30 PM
Saxbe Auditorium, located in Drinko Hall.

1. Secretary's Report #349

Tim Gerber, University Senate Secretary

The motion carries.

2. Proposal to Establish the Center for Ethics and Human Values

Blaine Lilly, Chair, Council on Academic Affairs

The Center will report directly to the provost and be a research center. The proposal adheres to guidelines of establishing academic centers. The proposal was reviewed and approved by a subcommittee comprised of the Research committee and the Council on Academic Affairs.

The motion carries.

3. Proposal to Establish the Global Water Institute

Blaine Lilly, Chair, Council on Academic Affairs

Faculty and staff from eight colleges have collaborated to create this institute. This initiative has direct relevance to and a track record of engagement with the university's Discovery Themes. GWI integrates the assets of Ohio State and layers them with those of other key research universities, not for profits, non-governmental organizations, industries, and governmental entities to develop sustainable systems solutions for regional and global water issues. The proposal adheres to guidelines of establishing academic centers. The proposal was reviewed and approved by a subcommittee comprised of the Research committee and the Council on Academic Affairs.

The motion carries.

4. Proposals to Approve Rules Changes Related to Academic Marks

Trish Van Zandt, Chair, Rules Committee

This packet of rules is obsolete due to the change from quarters to semesters, etc. The Rule revisions were approved by Faculty Council on March 3rd.

5. Proposals to Approve Rules Changes related to the Revised University Calendar

Trish Van Zandt, Chair, Rules Committee

The rule revisions are due to the restructuring of the Summer Calendar. The Rules Committee searched for mentions of May session in the Faculty Rules, and with the help of John Wanzer, revised three rules. The Rule revisions were approved by Faculty Council on March 3rd.

The motion carries.

6. Proposal to Approve Rules Changes to Align with Board of Trustees Bylaws

Trish Van Zandt, Chair, Rules Committee

The rules refer to bylaws that have been changed, and need to be changed in accordance. There are obsolete references the changes will amend. The Rule revisions were approved by Faculty Council on March 3rd.

The motion carries.

7. Proposed Revisions to the Code of Student Conduct

Noel Fisher, Chair, Council on Student Affairs

Ohio State entered voluntary resolution agreement with the Office of Civil Rights that called for an update to the Code of Student Conduct to comply with Title 9. The university adopted a new Sexual Misconduct policy, the next step is to update the Code of Student Conduct. This 2016 review has occurred one year prior to scheduled 2017 review of the code, so the scope was limited to updating the language that relates to the Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Sam Whipple proposes a friendly amendment to shorten the name of the Sexual Misconduct, Sexual Harassment and Relationship Violence Policy to the *Sexual Misconduct Policy*. This change was recommended from University Compliance and Integrity, but too late in the process to be in this version of the proposal.

Discussion ensued from those opposing and supporting the proposed revision. Some Faculty are concerned that the policy would not reviewed by the appropriate committees.

8. Annual State of Academic Affairs Address

Bruce McPheron, Interim Executive Vice President and Provost, provided the annual Provost's address from the Office of Academic Affairs.

- 9. Old Business**
- 10. New Business**
- 11. Announcements**
- 12. Adjourn**