

## Oakland University Senate

17 January, 2019  
Oakland Center – Banquet Room B  
3:10 p.m.

### Agenda

Respectfully submitted by James Lentini for the Steering Committee

#### A. Informational Items

1. Program Modifications approved by Graduate Council
  - a. Creation of a new graduate certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language K-12 in the Department of Linguistics in the College of Arts and Sciences – Ms. Gaydos
  - b. Program Modification to the Master of Arts in Biology in the Department of Biology in the College of Arts and Sciences removing the GRE requirement for admission and the research requirement - Mr. Wendell
2. Appointment of a member of the Senate Elections Committee - Zeina Alsalmon
3. Strategic Enrollment Management Update - Ms. Aubry
4. Provost's Updates

#### B. Roll Call

C. Approval of the minutes of December 6, 2018

#### D. Old Business

1. Motion from the Steering Committee to adopt strategies in support of Goal 4: Diversity and Inclusion of the Oakland University Strategic Plan developed by the Council on Diversity Equity and Inclusion.

**MOVED** that the Senate approve the strategies supporting Goal 4 Diversity and Inclusion of the Oakland University Strategic Plan

**Second Reading:** Amendable, debatable and eligible for final vote at this meeting.

**Comment:** Diversity Goal and Strategic Priorities

E. New Business

1. Election to replace a member of the Senate Steering Committee for Winter 2019 – Senate Elections Committee

The Senate needs to fill a one-semester vacancy on the Senate Steering Committee. The only limitation on electability of senators to this Committee is that no more than two may be elected from any one organized faculty. Consequently, members from the College of Arts and Sciences are not eligible for consideration. The Steering Committee normally meets twice a month (Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00) to set the Senate agenda, refer business to Senate committees and receive reports from those bodies and advise the Senate on governance issues; it may also meet occasionally during the summer. If you wish to nominate someone, please establish in advance that the person is willing to serve. A list of [Senate members](#) is available on the Senate webpage.

Current membership of the Steering Committee includes: Dan Aloï (SECS), Rebecca Cheezum (SHS), Andrea Eis (CAS), Mark Rigstad (CAS), Ron Tracy (SBA). The Secretary of the Senate, Dikka Berven, also participates in Steering Committee meetings by virtue of her office.

2. Motion from the Steering Committee to reaffirm the Senate's previous recommendation to the President and the Board of Trustees to approve a PhD in Computational Physics in the Department of Physics in the College of Arts and Sciences in its amended form.

**MOVED** that the Senate reaffirm its previous recommendation to the President and the Board of Trustees to approve a PhD in Computational Physics in its amended form.

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable but not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

**Comment:** Revised PhD in Computational Physics Proposal  
Program Modification information Form  
Document identifying changes to previously approved proposal

3. Motion from the Academic Standing and Honors Committee to change the requirement that students complete 62 credits at Oakland University to be eligible

to receive the university honors cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude.

**MOVED** that the Senate approve removal of the requirement that students complete 62 credits at Oakland University to be eligible to receive the university honors cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude.

**First Reading:** Amendable, debatable but not eligible for final vote at this meeting.

**Comment:** University Honors Change Document  
Rationale for change to University Honors

4. Procedural motion from the Steering Committee to staff a Senate Standing Committee

**MOVED** that the person listed be appointed to the committee designated.

Procedural Motion: debatable, amendable and eligible for final vote

University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction

Fritz McDonald (Winter 2019) replacing Ami Harbin (2017-2020) for her sabbatical.

Katie Hartsock (Winter 2019) replacing Rob Anderson (2016-2019) for his sabbatical.

F. Good and Welfare