



General Meeting Minutes

Date: February 11, 2026
Time: 10:30 AM

Location: 301 Research Blvd, Rm 813

Darrell Banks P
Sophia Barnett P
Dominique Belcher P
Joni Branning P
Lateshia Butler A
Lisa Dye P
Cambrie Frizzell P
Hunter Goodson P
Tiffanie Hancock P
Libbi Havelin A
Courtney Headley P

Timothy Hopkins P
Hannah Howell P
Veronika Jelinkova P
Ogorchukwu Johnson A
Davie Jones P
Kelly LaSalle A
Matthew Mackey A
Allison Matthews P
LaKitha Murray P
Alicia Musselwhite A
Samantha Nall P

Ashley Patterson A
Lynn Palmer Purnell P
Jessica Rahim P
Cindy Ratcliff P
Connor Simmons A
Chantel Solis-McCoy A
Elizabeth Standley P
John Michael Vanhorn P

1. APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES – For a motion to approve January minutes, Elizabeth provided the first and Cambrie the second. The motion passed unanimously and minutes were adopted.

2. APPROVAL OF JANUARY FINANCIALS – For a motion to approve the financials, Elizabeth provided the first and John Michael the second. The motion passes unanimously, and financials were adopted.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Chair – Sophia Barnett

- Master Plan and Develop Advisory Committee – No meeting
- Alumni Association National Board – No meeting
- President's Executive Council- meeting was cancelled but there were policies sent out for email vote. AOP 12.22 Undergraduate Student Courseload, AOP 12.26 Credit for Prior Learning, OP 80.02 Ethics in Research and Other Scholarly Activities and OP 91.123 Animals on Campus. One policy to rescind, OP 56.04 Animals on Campus, this policy is now a part of the revised OP 91.123.
- Faculty Senate – met on January 16th.

- **Business sent to committee:** Faculty Complaints about Student Conduct - was received after the November Faculty Senate Meeting and sent to Ancillary Affairs.
- **Business to send to committee:** AOP 10.14 The Adoption and Sale of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials - sent to Academic Affairs. AOP 11.06 Study Abroad and Other International Travel by Students – sent to Student Affairs
- **Matters voted on:** AOP 12.23 Cooperative Education Program: changes include minimum work weeks is decreased from 52 to 46 for students to be eligible for the Cooperative Education Graduation designation; provides clarity that students participating in CEP are considered a full time student by MSU when performing their Co op rotation; clarifies that CP courses cannot be used to satisfy University wide degree requirements. Approved as presented with a vote of 43-0
- Faculty Senate received a memorandum requesting inquiry on how the Office of Dean of Students process faculty complaints regarding student conduct. FS met with Dean of Students to discuss procedures. Based on that discussion, they recommend that no changes be made to the ODS procedures at this time and recommend the Dean of Students meet with faculty senate every three years. The report was approved as presented with a vote of 43-0
- A recommendation to approve the UFSAM Resolution on Freedom of Speech of Expression at MS IHL universities in its current form was voted on and approved as presented with a vote of 40-1

- Standing Committee Review Board – No meeting
- Conflict of Interest Committee – No meeting
- Information Technology Governance Council (ITGC)-Will meet February 12th

b) Vice-Chair – Ogo Johnson

- Faculty Housing Appeals Committee – No update

c) Policies and Procedures Committee Chair – Cambrie Frizzell

- Teaching Staff – No updates.
- By-laws/Constitution-Has been signed by Dr. Keenum. A copy is on the J drive.

d) Communications Committee Chair – Dominique Belcher

- BullyWatch –3 more nomination and will need to get more gift cards.
- Newsletter – 8 T-shirt designs have been submitted so far. Will send out reminder.
- Website, Facebook, Twitter –

e) Awards & Scholarships Committee Chair – Jessica Rahim

- Department Donations/Fundraisers
- Spring Awards-No updates

f) Events Committee Chair – Libbi Havelin and Lisa Dye

- Staff Appreciation Day- May 22nd: Chairs have their instructions to reach out to their committee members. Notes/timelines have been sent with instructions to get started in February. Budget must be followed this year, there was a discussion about how to cut some other costs to help cover food cost (3 quotes were over what was spent last year).

4. Ongoing Business

5. New Business

11:21 AM Meeting Adjourned

Next scheduled meeting: March 18th, 2026

University Committee Assignments 2025-2026

University Committee

Athletic Council

Calendar Committee-Email messages to finalize 2027
calendars

Dining Advisory Committee*

Employee Benefits Committee-Emails to discuss Aflac
and additional changes.

Health and Wellness-met to discuss website ideas, mission
statement and goals of the committee

Inclusive Excellence Leadership

Instructional Technology Advisory Committee

Parking and Traffic Regulations Committee

Performing Arts Committee

Recreation Advisory Committee

Satisfactory Academic Progress Committee-will meet in
March, reviewed appeals that were submitted
Special Events & Game Day

Sustainability Committee

Traffic Appeals Committee-Had 20 appeals

University Workplace Safety Committee

Work-Life Balance Committee-presented at SDC

Staff Council Representative (Backup)

Lateshia Butler (Cindy Ratcliff)

Veronika Jelinkova (Connor Simmons)

Hannah Howell (Lynn Palmer Purnell)

Veronika Jelinkova (Cindy Ratcliff)

Tiffanie Hancock (Alicia Musselwhite)

Timothy Hopkins (Davie Jones)

Ashley Patterson (Davie Jones)

Elizabeth Standley (Courtney Headley)

Hunter Goodson (Allison Matthews)

Darrell Banks (LaKitha Murray)

Joni Branning (Elizabeth Standley)

John Michael Vanhorn (Allison Matthews)

Samantha Nall (Ty Nichols)

Alicia Musselwhite (LaKitha Murray)

Matthew Mackey (Chantel Solis-McCoy)

Ashley Patterson (Tiffanie Hancock)

**not an official university standing committee*

Staff Council Committee Assignments 2025-2026

Communications Committee

Dominique Belcher – CHAIR

Ty Nichols

Davie Jones

Connor Simmons

Samantha Nall

Chantel Solis-McCoy

Policies and Procedures Committee

Cambrie Frizzell – CHAIR

Matthew Mackey

Ashley Patterson

John Michael Vanhorn

Alicia Musselwhite

Allison Matthews

Awards & Scholarships Committee

Jessica Rahim – CHAIR

Elizabeth Standley

Veronika Jelinkova

Lateshia Butler

Joni Branning

Timothy Hopkins

LaKitha Murray

Events Committee

Libbi Havelin – CO-CHAIR

Lisa Dye – CO-CHAIR

Hannah Howell

Tiffanie Hancock

Courtney Headley

Cindy Ratcliff

Darrell Banks

Lynn Palmer Purnell

Hunter Goodson