

University Council MINUTES

March 6, 2024

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

SUB, Room 235

Members:

Waded Cruzado, Dean Adams, Fran Albrecht, Justin Arndt, Sreekala Bajwa, Matt Caires, Leon Costello, Chris Dobbs, Ariel Donohue, Jonathan Dove, Tracy Ellig, Colter Ellis, Stephanie Erdmann, Chris Fastnow, Stephanie Gray, Jeannette Grey Gilbert, Brian Gillespie, Brett Gunnink, Alison Harmon, Stefani Hicswa, John How, Yves Idzerda, Greg Kegel, Ryan Knutson, Chere LeClair, Ilse-Mari Lee, Terry Leist, Dan Miller, Bob Mokwa, Doralyn Rossmann, Tricia Seifert, Steve Swinford, Kim Obbink, Craig Ogilvie, Kellie Peterson, Sarah Shannon, Cody Stone, Amber Vestal, Brad White, Jacob Zink

I. Call to Order

President Waded Cruzado

President Cruzado called meeting to order at 8:30am.

II. Approval of Minutes for February 7, 2024

Dean Ilse-Mari Lee moved to approve minutes; seconded by Terry Leist. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. University Wide Information/ Announcements

President Cruzado welcomed Dr. Steve Swinford to his new appointment as Vice President for Student Success and Brad White, auditor, back to University Council membership. Chris Fastnow was honored for her 21 years of service.

IV. Public Comment

Vice President of research and economic development, Alison Harmon, introduced and welcomed Mike Veselik, in his new role as director of economic development and impact at Montana State University.

V. Old Item

A. Research Agreements Policy

Justin Arndt, Chief Compliance Officer

This is to codify and establish best practices clarified in policy scope. The policy was approved unanimously.

VI. New Items

A. FTC Red Flags Identity Theft Prevention Program Policy Revision

Justin Arndt, Chief Compliance Officer

Justin shared this will make sure we are limiting identity theft. This OneMSU policy added a scope section and changed the title to clarify scope and language. This also created the Identity Theft Prevention Committee (ITPC) and established an annual training requirement.

B. Distance Education Policy

Dr. Tracy A.O. Dougher, Vice Provost

This is to establish a policy where gaps exist in compliance regarding distance education policies with US Dept. of Education policies on distance education; NWCCU accreditation standards and addendum; and NC-SARA policy. She welcomes input in the next 30 days.

VII. Informational Item

A. Choosing Promise, Goal 1.2, High-Quality Graduate Education

Chris Fastnow, Director, Office of Planning and Analysis

This is a priority goal for the academic year and shared updates with University Council.

VIII. Updates

Campus leaders provided around the table updates.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50am.

NOTE: The next University Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, 2024, from 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM in SUB, Room 235.