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MINUTES OF THE SACUA MEETING OF 28 JANUARY 2008

Present: Fraser, Friedman, Potter, Riles, Smith (chair), Stark, Thouless; Lehman; Schneider

Absent: Frier

Guests: none

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

1. Draft agenda
2. Draft minutes of the SACUA meeting of 17 December 2007
3. SACUA Report to the Board of Regents – February 2008
4. “Universities save while students pay more” by Robin Erb, *Detroit Free Press*, 20 January 2008

Chair Smith convened the meeting at 2:40 P.M. The proposed agenda was approved.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of 17 December 2007, 7 January 2008, and 14 January 2008 were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Smith announced:

The chair and Professor Thouless met with the provost on Friday. She told them that the president would not agree to the faculty’s request that they be consulted prior to decisions by the executive officers regarding major expenditures. Additional topics included:

- Status of the Grievance Revision Task Force
- The concept of “part-time tenure”
- Priority registration for student athletes
- Academic counseling of student athletes
- Academic performance of student athletes

SENATE ASSEMBLY MEETING

SACUA reviewed its preparation for the upcoming Senate Assembly meeting.

FACULTY GOVERNANCE UPDATE

SACUA finalized the language for its February report to the Board of Regents.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

There was no additional business.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

John Lehman
Senate Secretary

University of Michigan Bylaws of the Board of Regents, Sec. 5.02:

Governing Bodies in Schools and Colleges

In each school, college, or degree granting division of the University, including those at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and at the University of Michigan-Flint, the governing faculty shall be in charge of the affairs of the school, college, or division, except as delegated to the executive committee, if any, and except that in the School of Graduate Studies the governing board shall be the executive board, and in the Medical School shall be the executive faculty.
