

September 8, 2017

Academic Senate Recap Report for AY2016-17

Listed first is the Academic Senate Executive Committee and any resolutions or motions that were presented by them and a link to the minutes where these can be found.

Next are the Standing Committees of the Academic Senate and a link to their final reports. Policies are included which were before senate and either were approved or tabled. Included with some of the Standing Committees is a link to the minutes for more detail of the discussions that ensued and outcome of the policies presented.

Next are additional policies (non-Standing Committees), reports and updates. Whatever is not listed here can be found in the complete listing of every report and presentation that came to Academic Senate in AY2016.

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### **AS Executive Committee**

- Update on the Ad Hoc 50% Benchmarking Committee Update (Dr. Eli Saber requesting feedback)  
See minutes of 12/15/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>

### **Standing Committee and Taskforce Reports and Proposals**

#### **Academic Affairs Committee** (P. Venkataraman, chair)

- AAC's Final Report for AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19237>
- AAC's Interim Report - For charges 8 and 9: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19188>
  - See minutes of 4/6/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19204>
  - Charge 8 (No changes made to D13)
  - Charge 9 - AAC recommends the On Time Graduation charge be carried on as a charge for next year AY2017.
- AAC report of charges 4 and 6.
  - See minutes of 4/20/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19224>
  - Charge 4 –White Paper of the Formation of a Research and Scholarship Committee  
<https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19189>
- AAC report of Charge #1 (Student Ratings) – <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19220>
  - See minutes of 5/11/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>

*The Academic Senate endorses the establishment of a Research and Scholarship Standing Committee. The Executive Committee will take on the responsibility of commencing the procedure for establishing the committee.* [Motion Approved - 23-0-2]

- Charge 6 – Student LOA Policy [Approved by AS on 4/20/2017 - 23-0-1]  
<https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19197>

*MOTION: We recommend the Senate and the Office of the Provost co-sponsor a SmartEvals research task force academic year 2017-2018 to follow up on the Charge AACI (2016-17).* [Motion approved – 17-7-3]

- **Charges 2, 3 and 5:** <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19232>
  - See minutes of 5/18/2017 <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19800>
  - Charge 2 – “White Paper on Grading” (see link above for charges 2, 3 and 5)
  - Charge 3.1 – Count the number of cases at RIT each year where issues or disputes regarding academic matters have not been resolved in the opinion of the petitioner....
  - Charge 3.2 – At this time the AAC does not recommend that a university policy should be drafted to establish a University Academic Appeals Board. The committee felt that they were trying to address a problem that does not exist.
  - Charge 5 – To review Policy D02.0 and modify as needed in order to clarify/update the amount of transfer credit allowable for an undergraduate degree.
    - ***MOTION to postpone this charge to further address this and address the comments made today passes with a vote of 15-11-4.***

### **Academic Support & Student Affairs Committee** (Glen Hintz, acting chair)

- AS&SAC Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19239>
- AS&SAC Interim Report on 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19171>
  - See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>

### **Faculty Affairs Committee** (Jeff Pelz/Maureen Valentine, co-chairs)

- FAC’s Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19240>
- Proposals:
  - Proposed Policy E05.0
    - See minutes of 10/20/2016 (Postponed after lengthy discussion until 11/17): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18962>
    - Deferred due to time constraints on 11/17/2016
    - See minutes of 12/1/2016 (E05.0 Approved): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19127>
  - Proposed Policy E04.0, Section IIB:
    - Majority of E04.0 is approved on 10/20/2016 – see minutes of 10/20/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18962>
    - Deferred due to time constraints on 11/17/2016
    - Remainder of E04.0 is approved on 12/1/2016 – see minutes of 12/1/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19127>
  - Proposed Policies E02.0 (Academic Freedom), E03.0 (Oath of Allegiance), E05.0 (Policy on Tenure) and E06.0 (Policy on Tenure) came to senate. See minutes of 2/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19163>
  - Policy E08.0 [College Academic Administrative Positions – reviewed for 5-year review and major changes were made. It was approved on 4/20/2017.
    - See minutes of 3/30/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19185>
    - See minutes of 4/20/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19224>

### **Gen Ed Committee (GEC)** (Bill Middleton, chair)

- Gen Ed Committee Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19180>
  - See minutes of 3/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19183>

### **Global Education Task Force** (Zack Butler, Chair)

- Global Education Task Force Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19241>
- Global Education Task Force Interim Report AY2016 and motion passed to extend the GETF one more year. See minutes of 4/27/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19225>

## **Graduate Council** (Joseph Hornak, Chair)

- Graduate Council's Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19242>
- **Curriculum Proposals**
  - Master of Science in Data Science (Dr. Michael Yacci/Dr. Twyla Cummings) was approved on 12/1/2016 – See minutes of 12/1/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19127>
  - MS in Business Analytics (Drs. Joe Hornak, Ashok Robin, Victor Perotti) was approved on 2/16/2017. See minutes of 2/16/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19155>
  - MS in Integrative Design (Dr. Joe Hornak, Dr. Chris Jackson) was approved on 3/9/2017. See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>
- **Policy Proposals** (B02.0, D01.0, D02.0 and D12.0 were presented on 3/30/2017 and returned to senate for vote on 4/6/2017.
  - See minutes of 3/30/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19185>
  - See minutes of 4/6/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19204>
- **Proposed Graduate Writing Proposal** (This did not pass at Graduate Council.)
  - This was on the senate agenda on 4/6/2017 but was postponed due to time constraints.
  - See minutes of 4/27/2017 (Came to senate for feedback): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19225>
  - See minutes of 5/11/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>

## **ICC** (Dawn Hollenbeck, Chair)

- ICC's Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19257>
- **Proposals:**
  - Approved BS Program in Hospitality & Service Management (a revised existing program) (Dr. Dawn Hollenbeck, Dr. Karthik Namasivayam, Dr. Linda Tolan)
    - See minutes of 12/8/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19133>
  - Approved BS Program in Supply Chain Management from SCB (Dr. Dawn Hollenbeck, Dr. Jacquie Mozrall)
    - See minutes of 2/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19148>
  - Approved the consolidation and revisions to the Studio Arts BFA program (STAR) on 4/27/2017.
    - See minutes of 4/27/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19225>
  - Minors Policy: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19233>
    - **MOTION** to postpone the proposed changes to the Minors Policy passes with a vote of 23-3-0.
    - See minutes of 5/18/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19800>

## **Institute Writing Committee – IWC** (Andrea Hickerson, Michael Palanski, co-chairs)

- IWC Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19243>

## **Long Range Planning & Environment Committee** (dt ogilvie, chair; Patti Russotti, co-chair)

- LRP&EC Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19244>
- LRP&E Committee Proposed resolution regarding Campus Master Plan (Enid Cardinal, Roger Chen, John Moore): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18925>
  - See minutes of 10/20/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18962>
- LRP&E Committee – Interim Report (Survey results) <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19199>
  - See minutes of 2/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19163>

## **Resource Allocation & Budget Committee (RABC)** (Steve Zilora, Chair)

- RABC Final Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19222>
  - See minutes of 5/11/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>
- RABC Interim Report AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19150>
  - See minutes of 2/16/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19155>

## **Standing Committee Charges for AY2106 (Discussion & Vote)**

- Approved on 8/25/2017, 9/8/2016 and 9/22/2017
  - See minutes of 8/25/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18759>
  - See minutes of 9/8/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18764>
  - See minutes of 9/22/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18775>
  - Final Approved Standing Committee Charges for AY2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18765>

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Additional policies, reports, updates, motions

Brick City Update (Lynn Rowth)

- See Minutes of 10/6/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18927>

Calendar (Joe Loffredo/Fernando Naveda)

- Endorsed Administrative Policy – Development, Maintenance & Publication of Academic Calendars
See minutes of 12/08/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19133>

COACHE Survey Update (Provost Jeremy Haefner)

- See minutes of 4/27/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19225>

Committee on Interdisciplinary Work - Proposed Motion to Endorse (Chris Licata/Clark Hochgraf)

- Document and PPT from 9/8/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18770>
- Motion was postponed. See minutes of 9/8/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18764>
- Motion to endorse the Committee on Interdisciplinary Work was brought to vote by unanimous consent on 9/22/2017.
 - Revised charge: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18773>
 - See minutes of 9/22/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18775>

Difference Maker Presentations

- T-Shaped Graduate (Jodi Boita and James Hall, T-Shape Tiger Team Co-Chairs) – See minutes of 10/20/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18962>
- Dimension III Difference Makers – Dr. Keith Jenkins; Dr. David Wick (particularly III.5 and III.6) – See minutes of 12/1/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19127>
- Student Centered Research University – Dr. Ryne Raffaele – See minutes of 12/08/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19133>
- Panoramic View of the Strategic Plan with a Focus on Implementation – Dr. Kit Mayberry – See minutes of 12/08/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19133>
- Underwriting the Strategic Plan – Dr. Jim Watters – see minutes of 12/15/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>

Difference Maker Presentations continued:

- Dimension III (emphasis on Global Education) – Dr. Jim Myers – see minutes of 2/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19148>
- Difference Maker Survey Results – dt ogilvie <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19156> and see minutes of 2/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19163>
- Division of Student Affairs – Dr. Sandy Johnson – see minutes of 3/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19183>
- The Greatness through Difference Campaign – Dr. Lisa Cauda – see minutes of 3/30/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19185>

Enrollment/Recruitment Update

- See minutes of 2/2/2017 (Dr. Jim Miller): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19148>

Grades Policy – Proposed Policy D05.0 (Andrea Shaver, SG President; Amar Bhatt SGVP, Chris Collison, AS Chair)

- See minutes of 12/15/2016 (first motion carried): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>

Imagine RIT Update (Barry Culhane/Heather Cottone)

- See minutes of 2/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19148>

Middle States Re-Accreditation Process (MSCHE) (Michael Laver and Anne Wahl, Co-Chairs)

- See minutes of 9/22/2016 (2016 Governance Group Update): <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18775>
- See minutes of 3/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19183>

On-Time Graduation (Provost Jeremy Haefner)

- See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>

Parking Update (John Moore)

- See minutes of 5/11/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>

Policy C06.0 (Interim Policy Prohibiting Discrimination & Harassment) (Judy Bender, AVP, HR; Bobby Colon, Chief Legal Officer)

- Endorsed on 12/15/2016 – See minutes: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>
- Final edits to endorsed Policy
 - See minutes of 2/16/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19155>
- Changes made by SG and Dr. Jamie Winebrake were approved by J. Bender in HR on 3/9. See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>

Policy D05.0 (Grades Policy) (Andrea Shaver, SG President; Amar Bhatt, SGVP)

- Motion passes for the first part of this policy regarding submission of grades.
 - See minutes of 12/15/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>
- A motion passed to have Student Government work with Academic Affairs Committee to improve the wording and return to senate at a later date.
 - See minutes of 2/16/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19155>
- Updated proposed D05.0 (Reviewed by AAC and SG. Discussion ensued, but was postponed on 3/2/2017).
 - See minutes of 3/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19178>

Policy D05.0 continued:

- Up/Down Vote of D05.0 passes on 3/9/2017 26-0-1. This policy will be sent to S. Provenzano for implementation to begin now.
 - See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>

Policy E01.0 (Employee Classification & Status) (Judy Bender, AVP, HR; Bobby Colon, Chief Legal Officer)

- Endorsed on 12/15/2016
 - See minutes of 12/16/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19139>

Policy Proposal for University Events with Alcoholic Beverages (Dr. Heath Boice-Pardee, Associate VP, Student Affairs)

- Policy was endorsed by senate with an inclusion of a recommended change.
 - See minutes of 3/23/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19183>

Presentation to Honor President Destler who is retiring by 6/30/2017

- See minutes of 5/11/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>

Presidential Search Update and Resolution (C. Collison, AS Chair)

- See minutes of 8/25/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18759>

Resolution (Proposal regarding President Trump's Executive Order)

- A Resolution came to senate on 2/2 and then a special meeting to discuss this further was on 2/9/2017. President Destler responded to this resolution on 2/16 that was approved on 2/9.
 - Minutes of 2/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19148>
 - Minutes of 2/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19149>
 - Minutes of 2/16/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19155>

RIT United Way Campaign Update

- See minutes of 3/9/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19179>

Robert's Rules Presentation (Paul Ferber)

- See minutes of 8/25/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18759>

Rochester Regional Health System Alliance (Cindee Gray, Managing Director)

- See minutes of 3/30/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19185>

Sexual Misconduct Climate Survey – Results of Spring 2016 (Stacy Derooy, Title IX Coordinator; Erika Duthiers, AVP, Compliance and Ethics)

- See minutes of 10/6/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18927>

Staff Appraisal Policy E27.0 - Approved on 3/17/2016

- See minutes of 3/17/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18537>

Staff Grievance Policy E30.0 (Amy Galiana, Associate Director for HR)

- Presented and postponed as the request came to invite Bobby Colon back the next time this comes to senate and when the vote will be taken.
 - See minutes of 4/6/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19204>
- Endorsed on 5/11/2017 with the language suggested by the senate.

- See minutes of 5/11/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19229>

Strategic Plan Update – West Coast Initiative

- See minutes of 10/6/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18927>

Threat Assessment Overview (Judy Bender/Chris Denninger)

- See minutes of 5/18/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19800>

Transition to Qualtrics (Jeanne Casares, Neil Hair)

- See minutes of 5/18/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19800>

Treasurer’s Report (Dr. Elèna Sommers, AS Treasurer)

- See minutes of 8/25/2016: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/18759>

Upcoming RIT President (Dr. David Munson)

- See minutes of 3/2/2017: <https://digitalarchive.rit.edu/xmlui/handle/1850/19178>

LIST OF REPORTS & AGENDA ITEMS AY2016 IN ALPHA ORDER

Note: This is a full listing of what came to senate this past year.

Academic Affairs Committee – See above for all details

Academic Support and Student Affairs Committee – See details and final report above

At Large Committee Members (Approved April 20, 2017)

Brick City Update (Lynn Rowoth) (10/06/2017)

COACHE Survey Update (Provost Jeremy Haefner) (4/27/2017)

Committee on Interdisciplinary Work (Endorsed by AS 9/22/2016)

Curriculum (see above under ICC and Graduate Council)

Difference Maker Presentations (see listing above with reference to the minutes on the dates they were presented)

Enrollment/Recruitment Update (Dr. Jim Miller) (2/2/2017)

Executive Committee Elections (4/20/2017)

Faculty Affairs Committee – See details and final report above

Farewells to Senators (5/18/2017)

General Education Committee – See details and final report above

Global (International) Education Task Force (Dr. Zack Butler) (See reports above.)

Graduate Council – See above details of curriculum, policies and reports with links to the minutes included.

ICC – See above details of curriculum, policies and reports with links to the minutes included.

Imagine RIT Update (Dr. Barry Culhane/Heather Cottone) (2/2/2017)

IWC (Institute Writing Committee) – See details and final report above.

Long Range Planning & Environment Committee reports – See details and final report above.

Middle States Re-Accreditation Process (Dr. Michael Laver/Dr. Anne Wahl, co-chairs) (9/22/2016)

Nominations Committee Update (Dr. Hossein Shahmohamad, Chair) (3/9/2017)

On-Time Graduation (Provost Haefner) (3/9/2017)

Parking Update (John Moore) (5/11/2017)

Policies (C06.0, D05.0, E01.0, E30 etc.) - See above

Presentation to Honor President Destler (5/11/2017)

Resolution in regards to President Trump’s Executive Orders - See above

Resource Allocation & Budget Committee – See details and final report above.

RIT United Way Campaign (Lynn Rowoth, UW Chair) (3/9/2017)

Robert’s Rules Presentation (Dr. Paul Ferber) (8/25/2016)

Rochester Regional Health System Alliance Presentation (Dr. Cindee Gray) (3/30/2017)

Sexual Misconduct Climate Survey – Results of Spring 2016 (10/6/2016)

Standing Committee Charges for AY2016 (Fully approved by 9/22/2016)

Strategic Plan Update – West Coast Initiative (Provost Jeremy Haefner) (10/6/2016)

Threat Assessment Overview (Judy Bender/Chris Denninger) (5/18/2017)

Transition to Qualtrics (Jeanne Casares/Neil Hair) (5/18/2017)

Treasurer’s AS Financial Report for FY2016 (8/25/2016)

Upcoming RIT President – Dr. David Munson (3/2/2017)

AS ELECTIONS FOR AY2015

The Executive Committee Elections took place on April 20, 2017 and the newly elected ASEC for AY2017 is:

Chair: Dr. Chris Collison

Vice Chair: Jules Chiavaroli

Operations Officer: Daryl Johnson

Communications Office: Dr. Michael Ruhling

Treasurer: Dr. Elèna Rakhimova-Sommers

College Elections for Standing Committees and some Institute committees took place in Winter/Spring AY2016-17. This list will be sent to all this summer.

The AS website will be updated by early to mid-June. Once charges for AY2017 are approved by the Academic Senate in early Fall 2017, these will be posted as well on the Digital Archive site and on the website.

Link to AS website: <http://www.rit.edu/academicaffairs/academicsenate>