

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING  
Wednd

Roll Call

o Present:

f David Benfield; Edward Chapel; Patrali Chatterjee; Sandra Collins; n

Council for discussion. Deans have already made recommendations which are on par with our standards and standards of other comparable universities.

- o National reports on grade inflation will be shared with University Senate which shows two significant spikes so far, one in the 1980's and the second one is now.
- o Report on advising – Students were asked for their impression of advising and the impression is that advising needs to be more effective. VP Pennington already made changes towards the improvement and this collective effort will continue in months to come to best serve our student population.
- o Steven Johnson will present in near future the findings of the CLA (Collegiate Learning Assessment) exam for freshmen and seniors and is a part of Middle States Outcomes Assessment report. It provides valuable information that we can then extrapolate into our Gen Ed curriculum.
- Elections Committee Report - Made by President Collins (Chair, 4066836740) (Tues, Oct 1, 2008, 10:30 AM) (172522) jr-
  - o Call for nominations for the CSAM position will go out soon. Nominations will be open until October 6 with elections taking place on October 10–12.
- Appointment of Constitution Committee
  - o Senator Mengara
    - f Motion to approve (4066836740) (Tues, Oct 1, 2008, 10:30 AM) (172522) jr-

*f* VP Pennington: Provided insight into the importance of approving this sooner rather than later as they are currently pending cases which need to be moved forward. Both VP Pennington and Jerry Collins, Coordinator of Student Conduct shared a couple of examples where students expelled from MSU went on to commit the same or similar offenses at other institutions and vice versa.

*f* Senator Sullivan: Proposed an amendment stating "Provost in consultation with other university officials will make the final decision regarding removal of the notation." Motion approved as amended.

- Administrative Affairs Council Report
  - o Senator Topic
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- f* This year we had students enrolled from 20 states
- f* Working with University Communications to get the word out
- f* Alumni recruitment program in South NJ is active and very successful in marketing MS