


**MICHIGAN STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

April 6, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Trustees Policy Committee  
**FROM:** President Lou Anna K. Simon   
**SUBJECT:** Revisions to *Bylaws for Academic Governance*

**RECOMMENDATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Trustee Policy Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees approval of the recommended changes to items 6.1.3, 6.3.3, 6.4.3, 6.5.3 of the *Bylaws for Academic Governance* (attached), as approved by Academic Council on March 22, 2011, with changes effective Fall Semester, 2011.

I have reviewed the changes, concur with the proposed revisions, and now request action by the Board of Trustees.

**BACKGROUND**

The University Committee on Academic Governance (UCAG) is providing oversight of our progress toward full implementation of the revised Bylaws for Academic Governance in the Fall of 2011. That group has identified the need for clarification in the terms of office for members of four University Boards. These recommendations are based on UCAG's review and have been approved by both the Faculty and the Academic Councils.

Provost Wilcox and I endorse the changes which have been recommended here and ask your approval of attached recommended revisions.

c: Trustees Finance Committee  
Kim Wilcox, Provost  
Robert Noto, Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel  
William Beekman, Secretary of the Board of Trustees



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**The following amended Bylaws were approved by Academic Council on March 22, 2011**

6.1.3. The term of office for faculty members of the Student-Faculty Hearing Board shall be three years, with the opportunity for reappointment for one additional three-year term. Provisions shall be made to stagger appointments to assure continuity. Terms of office shall begin August 16 ~~with the summer semester~~ following appointment.

6.3.3 The term of office for faculty members in the University Academic Integrity Hearing Board pool shall be three years, with the opportunity for reappointment for one additional three-year term. Provisions shall be made to stagger appointments to assure continuity. Terms of office shall begin August 16 ~~with the summer semester~~ following appointment.

6.4.3. The term of office for faculty members in the University Academic Appeals Board pool shall be three years, with the opportunity for reappointment for one additional three-year term. Provisions shall be made to stagger appointments to assure continuity. Terms of office shall begin August 16 ~~with the summer semester~~ following appointment.

6.5.3. The term of office for faculty members of the University Student Appeals Board shall be three years, with the opportunity for one additional three-year term. Provisions shall be made to stagger appointments to assure continuity. Terms of office shall begin August 16 ~~with the summer semester~~ following appointment.