

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST
RULES COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

FEBRUARY 1, 2008

1. GUEST

**Roger Rideout, Chair, Campus Physical Planning Committee
“Pedestrian Crossings on N. Pleasant St.”**

2. MINUTES

**Minutes of the December 7, 2007 Rules Committee Meeting submitted by Marilyn Billings.
Ralph Whitehead is responsible for the minutes of this meeting. (If he is unable to attend,
Alex Deschamps is responsible.)**

3. FACULTY SENATE AGENDA ITEMS (For February 14, 2008)

- A. (?) Recognition of Exemplary Performance of Athletic Teams, Fall Semester 2007
Football, Men’s Soccer, Women’s Field Hockey**
- B. 2006-2007 Annual Report of the Athletic Council, University of Massachusetts Amherst, as
presented in Sen. Doc. No. (TENTATIVE)**
- C. Annual Report of the University Press Committee for Academic Year 2006-2007, as presented
in Sen. Doc. No.**
- D. New Courses approved by the Graduate Council**
- E. Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning the Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee
on Certificates (ACERT), as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.**
- F. Special Report of the General Education Council concerning A Recommended General
Education Designation for CE-ENGIN 211, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.**

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Notes from Maurianne Adams regarding Graduate and Undergraduate Certificates –
Notes and Major Issues from January 22, 2008 Meeting
QUESTION: How can transcripts (undergrad and grad) show more detail re:
“concentrations” (rather than departmental degree only) and also re: “certificates?”**
- B. Email from Sharon Fross to Ernie May, January 30, 2008, regarding the Carnegie
Classification**
- C. Email from Tobias Baskin regarding Nominations for 2009 Honorary Degrees**
- D. Intercampus Faculty Council document forming an Ad Hoc Committee on Governance
and Elections**
- E. Program Revisions:**
 - 1. Adding the WHNP Track to the DNP Program**
 - 2. Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation: Professional MS Degree Area of
Concentration in Conservation****(Please indicate a lead Council for each.)**

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- F. Letters from Trustee Richard Lawton (January 10, 2008 with U.S. News & World Reports America's Best Colleges 2007 and CASMA Research Report) and to Trustee Lawton from Ernie May (January 22, 2008)**
- G. Update on the Readiness Project**
- H. ? Schedule another General Faculty Meeting**
- I. Article from *Boston.com* dated December 12, 2007 – “Auditors question contracts in UMass-Dartmouth research project”**