

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST
RULES COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

SEPTEMBER 21, 2007

1. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the September 7, 2007 Rules Committee Meeting submitted by Maurianne Adams. Rob Faulkner is responsible for the minutes of this meeting. (If he is unable to attend, Brian O'Connor is responsible.)

(The Rules Committee met on May 11, May 18, June 13, June 19, July 5 and August 6, 2007. No minutes were taken for any meeting.)

3. FACULTY SENATE AGENDA ITEMS (For October 4, 2007)

- A. Presentation by Paul Kostecki, Vice Provost for Research "Clean Energy for the Commonwealth, Powered by The University of Massachusetts - Update on University-Wide Clean Energy Working Group"
- B. Presentation by Bryan Harvey, Associate Provost, Academic Planning and Assessment "Update on the UMA 250 Plan"
- C. Presentation by John Reiff, Director, Office of Community Service Learning at Commonwealth College, Mishy Leiblum, Student Bridges Graduate Coordinator, Vanessa Snow, Student Bridges Undergraduate Coordinator, and Ayla Bailey, Student Bridges Intern "Student Bridges & the Intersection between College Access & Civic Engagement"
- D. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 07-050 with Motion No. 55-07.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Joint Task Force on Academic Planning and Enrollment Management
- B. Program Revision: Graduate Certificate in African Diaspora Studies: An Introduction and Précis (Please indicate a lead Council.)
- C. Revision of Academic Honesty Policy, Appendix E, by the Ombuds Office
- D. Request for Minor Change – To split COMM 287 into two courses – COMM 287 "Social Communication" and COMM 288 "Gender, Sexuality and Representation"
- E. Undergraduate Education Council needs a representative for the position "Chair, Rules Committee or designee." Brian O'Connor has resigned.
- F. Request from John Cunningham, Interim Registrar and Cynthia Boissonneault, Assistant Registrar – both the Academic Matters and General Education Councils have, as part of their membership, the Undergraduate Registrar serving ex officio. Can an exception be made for this academic year to allow a substitute from the Registrar's Office to serve on both Councils until a permanent Registrar is hired?
- G. University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees, Administration and Finance Committee, FY2008-2012 University Capital Plan
- H. Rules Committee/Administration Meeting topics for Monday, October 1, 2007