

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Policy Advisory Committee
Tuesday, August 18, 2020
12:00 p.m.
Held virtually on Microsoft Teams
Minutes

Present: E. Dietenberger, N. Frank, K. Heath, T. Nation, J. Reisel, M. Schmit, T. Turner, J. Urdan, D. Venugopalan

I. Meeting called to order at 12:01p.m.

II. Minutes of the June 24, 2020 meeting approved as distributed.

III. Business

a. SAAP 10-12 COVID-Related Health and Safety Rules

J. Urdan presented the document. The policy is currently in place as an interim policy and is intended to maintain health and safety on campus during the global pandemic. The policy will likely be needed past the 120-day interim policy period, but can be rescinded when the pandemic ends.

MOTION: to approve SAAP 10-12. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote with one abstention. The policy will go to the Academic Staff Senate, Faculty Senate, and University Staff Senate for information.

b. SAAP 0-1 UWM Policy on the Creation of Selected Academic & Administrative Policies
Secretary Turner presented the document. The policy is intended to define how we create and modify SAAPs. Changes were made to bring the policy in line with current practice and to include university staff governance in the process.

J. Urdan discussed the changes to the interim policy section which allows for a second 120-day period after consultation with governance. Interim policies were recently enacted based on new regulations out of the Department of Education that required an implementation date of August 14th. These new regulations may change in the near future due to ongoing litigation or the upcoming election. An interim policy extension allows UWM and UW System to comply with these new rules without making permanent changes.

Discussion took place on the removal of student shared governance from the policy. The policy originally applied to all campus policies and now applies to only SAAPs. Student governance will be consulted as needed. In light of this change and the fact that the Student Association (SA) has not assigned a representative to the PAC in many years, the committee suggested removing the SA representative from the PAC membership list. Secretary Turner will reach out to the SA regarding this change.

MOTION: to approve SAAP 0-1 as amended. The motion was seconded and approved by voice vote. The policy will go to the Academic Staff Senate, Faculty Senate, and University Staff Senate for information.

IV. Other Business as needed

The Secretary of the University's Office discussed upcoming business items including policies undergoing their five-year review.

V. The meeting adjourned at 12:32 p.m.