



MINNESOTA STATE
Board of Trustees

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

NAME: Academic and Student Affairs Committee

DATE: May 21, 2024

TITLE: Proposed Amendment to Board Policy 2.3 Student Involvement in Decision-Making (First Reading)

Action

Review and Discussion

This item is required by policy

PRESENTERS

Satasha Green-Stephen, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs

PURPOSE

Board Policy 1A.1 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Organization and Administration, Part 6. Board Policies and System Procedures requires board review and approval of proposed board policy changes and that each board policy is reviewed at least once every five years.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The proposed amendment reorganizes current language, relocates the "policy development and/or decision-making process" in Part 3 to Part 2, changes Part 3 heading to "Selection of Student Representatives", and replaces "members" with "representatives".

RECOMMENDED ACTION (FIRST READING DRAFT)

The Academic and Student Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed amendment to Policy 2.3.

Date Presented to the ASA Committee: 5/21/2024

Date Presented to the Board of Trustees: First reading – no action taken.

Date of Implementation: TBD

PROPOSED CHANGES (FIRST READING DRAFT – CLEAN COPY)

1 **2.3 Student Involvement in Decision-Making**

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3 **Part 1. Purpose**

4 To promote student involvement in college, university, and system decision-making and to
5 assure that student perspectives are considered.

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7 **Part 2. Policy Statement**

8 Students, through their campus and statewide student associations, must be provided the
9 opportunity:

- 10 • for representation on college, university, and system committees involving or affecting
11 student interests, and
12 • to review or be consulted on issues that have significant impact on students, including
13 but not limited to, policy development and/or decision-making processes.

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15 Campus student associations have the responsibility to provide a campus student association
16 letter when requested by the Board of Trustees.

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18 **Part 3. Selection of Student Representatives**

- 19 • At the system level, student representative(s) must be selected by the statewide
20 student association(s).
21 • At the college or university level, student representative(s) must be selected by the
22 recognized campus student association(s).

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24 **Part 4. Exceptions**

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26 **This policy does not apply to the following:**

- 27 1. Committees established for the evaluation of personnel.
28 2. Committees established under collective bargaining agreements.
29 3. Management teams, presidential cabinets, and committees of the Board of Trustees.

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PROPOSED CHANGES (FIRST READING DRAFT – MARKED-UP COPY)

~~Single Strikethrough~~ – proposed deletion of current language

~~Double Strikethrough~~ – proposed deletion and relocation of current language

Single Underlining – proposed new language

Double Underlining – proposed relocation of current language

30 2.3 Student Involvement in Decision-Making

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32 Part 1. Purpose

33 To promote ~~appropriate levels of~~ student involvement in ~~system,~~ college, ~~and~~ university, and
34 system decision-making and to assure that student perspectives are considered.

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36 Part 2. Policy Statement

37 Students, through their campus and statewide student associations, must be provided the
38 opportunity:

- 39 • ~~the opportunity for for~~ representation on college, university, and ~~system, college, and~~
40 ~~university~~ committees involving or affecting student interests, ~~and have the~~
41 ~~opportunity~~
- 42 • ~~the opportunity~~ to review or be consulted on issues that have significant impact on
43 students, including but not limited to, policy development and/or decision-making
44 processes.

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46 Campus student associations have the responsibility to provide a campus student association
47 letter when requested by the Board of Trustees.

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49 ~~Part 3. Student Involvement in System Committees, Conferences and Issue Forums~~ Selection 50 of Student Representatives

- 51 • At the system level, student representative(s) must be selected by the statewide
52 student association(s).
- 53 • At the college or university level, student representative(s) must be selected by the
54 recognized campus student association(s).

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56 ~~Subpart A. Student representation~~

57 ~~Students must be given the opportunity for representation on college, university, and system~~
58 ~~committees, conferences and issue forums that are a part of the policy development and/or~~
59 ~~decision-making process.~~

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61 ~~Subpart B. Selection of student committee members or student representatives~~

- 62 • ~~At the system level, the student member(s) must be selected by the statewide student~~
63 ~~association(s).~~
- 64 • ~~At the state college or university level, student members must be selected by the~~
65 ~~recognized campus student association(s).~~

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Part 4. Exceptions

This policy does not apply to the following:

4. Committees established for the evaluation of personnel.
5. Committees established under collective bargaining agreements.
6. Management teams, presidential cabinets, and committees of the Board of Trustees.

Related Documents:

- [Board Policy 1A.2 Board of Trustees](#)
- [Board Policy 2.1 Campus Student Association](#)
- [Board Policy 2.6](#) Intercollegiate Athletics
- [Board Policy 2.10](#) Student Housing
- [Board Policy 3.1](#) Students Rights and Responsibilities
- [Board Policy 3.8](#) Student Complaints and Grievances
- [Board Policy 3.21](#) Undergraduate Course and Credit Transfer and the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum
- [Board Policy 3.24](#) College or University Type and Mission, and System Mission
- [Board Policy 4.5](#) Student Employees
- [Board Policy 5.9](#) Biennial and Annual Operating Budget Planning and Approval
- [Board Policy 5.11](#) Tuition and Fees
- [Board Policy 5.12](#) Tuition and Fees Due Dates, Refunds, Withdrawals and Waivers
- [Board Policy 7.1](#) Finance and Administrative Authority of Board, Chancellor, and Presidents
- [System Procedure 2.3.1](#) Student Involvement in Decision-Making
- [System Procedure 3.24.1](#) College and University Type and Mission, and System Mission
- [System Procedure 3.36.1](#) Academic Programs
- [System Procedure 5.11.1](#) Tuition and Fees
- [System Procedure 6.7.1](#) Acquisition and Disposition of Real Estate
- [System Procedure 6.8.1](#) Naming Buildings, Sites and Common Areas
- [System Procedure 7.3.5](#) Revenue Fund Management
- [System Procedure 7.3.12](#) Scholarships
- [System Procedure 7.5.1](#) Local Cash and Investments
- [Operating Instruction 2.8.1.1](#) Student Fee Referendum

To view any of the following related statutes, go to the [Revisor's Office website](#). You can conduct a search from this site by typing in the statute number.

- Minn. Stat. § 135A.0434 Mandatory Student Activity Fees Referendum

Policy History:

Date of Adoption: 4/18/95

Date of Implementation: 4/18/95

Date of Last Review: 6/19/19

Date & Subject of Amendments:

Xx/xx/24 – Full review, amendment reorganized current language, relocated the "policy development and/or decision-making process" in Part 3 to Part 2, changed title of Part 3 to Selection of Student Representatives, and deleted "members" in the policy.

06/19/19 – Reorganized the language in Parts 1 and 2, replaced the word "shall" with "must", and added 15 policies and procedures to the Related Document section that reference student consultation or review.

Additional [HISTORY](#)