**SENATE MEETING SUMMARY**

**October 6, 2016**

* Presidential Briefing
  + President Loh informed the Senate that he had to attend a special meeting of the Board of Regents and could not provide a briefing at the Senate meeting.
* Senate Chair’s Report
  + Outgoing Senators should have received an email from the Senate Office asking for volunteers for the Nominations Committee. Anyone who is interested in serving should email [senate-admin@umd.edu](mailto:senate-admin@umd.edu). The Nominations Committee slate will be voted on at the December meeting.
  + The Staff Affairs Committee is currently accepting nominations for the Board of Regents’ Staff Awards. Instructions are available on the Senate [website](https://senate.umd.edu/news/archives/2017BORInstructions.cfm) and nomination packages are due to the Senate Office by Friday, November 18th.
  + Senate Chair Jordan Goodman, Past Chair Willie Brown, and Senate Director Reka Montfort attended the Big Ten Academic Alliance Governance Leaders Conference September 28-30, 2016. They discussed communication methods, governance structures, and best practices among other topics.
  + The State of the Campus Address was originally scheduled for the November 2nd Senate meeting, but President Loh will be traveling out of the country at that time so his address has been rescheduled to the December 6th meeting. There will be a regular Senate meeting on November 2nd in which David Allen, Director of Transportation Services, will provide information on the reduction of parking spaces around the campus.
* [Underrepresented and Diverse Faculty Hiring Initiatives (Senate Doc. No. 16-17-07)](https://senate.umd.edu/sms/index.cfm?event=publicViewBillFile&offId=16-17-07&sId=3&f=URD_TaskForce__Report_Final_16-17-07.pdf)
  + The Senate discussed and voted on the President’s Postdoctoral Fellowship Program and the Strategic Senior Hires initiatives separately.
  + The Senate voted to approve both initiatives.
* Special Order of the Day – Robert Dooling, Chair, IP Policy Subcommittee of the Research Council

[*Intellectual Property Policy Review Update*](https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/IP_Policy_Update.pdf)

* + Bob Dooling provided the Senate with a brief history of the policy. He noted the major concerns that the Senate raised last year regarding copyright, online courses, software, revenue sharing, and the scope of employment. He informed the Senate of the work that the subcommittee has been doing to address these concerns and solicited additional feedback. The final policy will be presented to the Senate later this year.
* Special Order of the Day – Catherine Carroll, Director & Title IX Officer, Office of Civil Rights & Sexual Misconduct

[*Title IX Update*](https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/Title_IX_Update.pdf)

* + Catherine Carroll provided the Senate with a brief overview of the University’s framework in regards to Title IX. She explained the results of the [Sexual Assault Climate Survey](https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/2016_SexualAssaultClimate_Survey_Summary.pdf) and discussed the work of her office during the 2015-2016 academic year.
* Relevant Links
  + Board of Regents’ Staff Awards Instructions:

<https://senate.umd.edu/news/archives/2017BORInstructions.cfm>

* + Underrepresented and Diverse Faculty Hiring Initiatives (Senate Doc. No. 16-17-07):

<https://senate.umd.edu/sms/index.cfm?event=publicViewBillFile&offId=16-17-07&sId=3&f=URD_TaskForce__Report_Final_16-17-07.pdf>

* + Intellectual Property Policy Review Update Presentation:

<https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/IP_Policy_Update.pdf>

* + Title IX Update Presentation:

<https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/Title_IX_Update.pdf>

* + UMD 2016 Sexual Assault Climate Survey:

<https://senate.umd.edu/meetings/materials/2016to2017/100616/2016_SexualAssaultClimate_Survey_Summary.pdf>