

**Members in Attendance**

Brad Bechard  
Daisy Gibson  
Mark Plante  
Roger Pepper  
Dr. Wolff  
Jana Parsons

**Faculty, Staff and Guests in Attendance**

Kate Peterson  
Laramie Smovir  
Michael Shell  
Toni Quinn  
Dena Wagner-Fossen  
Kris Sher  
Leanne Frost  
Russell Motschenbacher  
Heather Palermo  
Brenda Canine  
Cherie McKeever  
Billie Perry

**I. Call to Order**

Jana Parson calls meeting to order

**II. Approval of Minutes**

**a. 2-14-2020 Minutes Approved**

**III. Action Items**

**IV. Vote**

**V. Discussion Items**

**VI. Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

**a. Discussion of the P/NP Option moving forward in the semester**

- Registrar has been notified that Bozeman is allowing students the option of changing their letter grade to a P/NP, and are giving students a deadline after they have been posted. Bozeman will attach a memo explaining the situation for the grade.
- All institutions in the MUS have the ability to make their own decisions on how to proceed with the grading process.
- Concern about students not putting in the effort when they're receive a P/NP and about the competitive entry programs and how they will measure in the application process.
- Competitive entry programs are ranked by letter grade, if there is no letter grade they lose points possible to be accepted in the program. P/NP threshold cannot be covered as a C- because programs cannot accept that as a passing grade.
- Give the students the option of a letter grade or P/NP at the end of the semester. This way they can make a choice to benefit them.

- How will this effect financial aid for students with a P/NP? It would change some processes but it doesn't look like it would do significant harm to the students. This is viewed as a temporary solution.
- Incompletes are always an option for a class by class basis.
- P/NP is not an option before classes start.
- Program directors can make a call to accept P/NP for applications, some will not accept a P/NP for A&P because of the importance of the content. They also have to make sure that their accrediting body approves the acceptance of P/NP grades for courses.
- Have the advisors work with the student to help make that decision and discuss the options and repercussions for choosing the P/NP route
- Faculty will grade students as usual per their syllabi's grading structure and criteria during the semester/block.
- The default option for students is the traditional A-F letter grade. **Students may choose to receive a P/NP grade in place of a letter grade for any number of their courses.** Students will have 5 business days to make the request with an Advisor to have the grade changed to a P/NP, no later than May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 p.m.
- For students who request a P/NP grade, the GFCMSU Registrar will record a grade of P if the student has achieved a C or higher.
- GFCMSU will include a designation on students' transcripts, indicating the extraordinary circumstances of the global public health emergency during Spring 2020.

VII. Adjourn  
**Meeting adjourned at 11:15**