

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE (EC)

Faculty Senate
Elections Committee
Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020

Attendance: Darcy Kern, Klay Kruczek, Mina Park, Frances Penny, Jonathan Wharton, Cindy Simoneau, chairperson.
Guest: Corinne Blackmer

Discussion centered on Corinne Blackmer's suggestion for the university to consider a free speech proposal similar to one adopted by the University of Chicago. Blackmer reported about a dozen students have come to her citing faculty and student comments and actions against them for exercising free speech that may not be considered popular or mainstream.

The committee, at a future meeting will discuss a university resolution. In addition, we will pursue discussions with Faculty Development Advisory Committee and administrators about hosting training and possibly a forum on the theme that all speech matters and all opinions are respected on campus.