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Present: Roland Guyotte (Chair), Alyssa Pirinelli, Michelle Schamp, Judy Korn, Brenda Boever, Jennifer Goodnough, Dan Magner, Ray Schultz, Merc Chasman, Emily Trieu, Emma Kloos, Parker Smith, Harshita Kalidindi, Elsie Wilson
Absent: Leslie Meek

1.   **Approve minutes of November 7, 2017, meeting**
       Minutes approved.

       Approve minutes of November 14, 2017, meeting
       Minutes approved as amended.

2.   **Chair's Report**
       Janet Schrunk Ericksen, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs, has been invited to next week's meeting to discuss the differences between the Morris Dean's List policy criteria and the all-University policy.

3.   **SCEP Report**
       The Morris Campus Student Association is looking at how the University can help students who fall under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) immigration policy that have been deported. The Faculty Consultative Committee is adamant that these situations are the curricular purview of faculty. The Office of the Registrar recently received a request from the TC asking how Morris would deal with a deported DACA student. Currently, Morris has no process/procedure for deported DACA students. Other U of M campuses think of the situation similar to a student in the military being called to duty. The student could file a leave of absence, and tuition may be refunded.

4.   **Petition #1261**
       Petition was denied.

5.   **Petition #1262**
       Petition was approved.

6.   **Petition #1263**
       Petition was approved.

7.   **SCEP: Counting credits toward a University degree - tabled**
       https://policy.umn.edu/education/bacreditreq

8.   **SCEP: Dean's List**
       https://policy.umn.edu/education/gradingtranscripts

Last year, the Scholastic Committee reviewed a petition from a student requesting to be on the dean's list. The petition revealed a discrepancy between Morris's dean's list criteria and the University-wide dean's list criteria. After much searching, Goodnough was unable to find reasoning behind Morris's deviation. After conversing with the Dean, the Dean could not find a reason why Morris would not conform with the University-wide policy and supports changing Morris' Dean's List policy to match the University-wide policy. It's suspected that the Twin Cities changed the Dean's List policy and did not communicate the change to the coordinate campuses.

Members discussed the discrepancies and agreed that maintaining two policies is unnecessarily confusing for students. Members then discussed the process/procedure for changing the Dean's List policy. Goodnough offered to contact the Steering Committee to ask about the process.

There was also discussion regarding retroactively adding students to the dean's list. It was decided that Morris would mimic the Twin Cities process for retroactively adding students.

There was some confusion about incompletes and the Dean's list. Korn offered to contact the Twin Cities to find out how they handle incompletes with regards to the Dean's list.

It was noted that the url links to past dean's lists on the academic affairs website are not working.

9. **SCEP: Grading and Transcripts policy - tabled**
    a. **D+ grades**
    b. **Grade definitions**
    c. **Incompletes**

Respectfully submitted,

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