

Proposed:

H. Faculty Council supports transparency and its meetings are open to the public including all faculty members.

1. Council Executive Committee may schedule items for discussion or action during closed session. Examples include, but are not limited to: awarding of degrees (including honorary degrees) to specific persons; nomination/selection of specific persons for committees, councils, boards, or offices; actions related to a specific person, legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving the University, the faculty, or specific faculty members; or other discussions about specific persons.
2. Council Executive Committee may schedule items for discussion, but not action, during closed session if doing so is beneficial to conducting Faculty Council business
3. Items for discussion or action during closed session must be identified on the agenda
4. Any Council members may move to remove a discussion item from closed session. Motion is approved if it receives a majority vote.
5. Unless otherwise authorized by Council, all persons present during a closed meeting shall keep the discussions in confidence.

Current:

H. In the interest of transparency, the Faculty Council Committee meetings are always open to members of the MU community.

1. Executive Committee meetings upon request and all Council meetings are open to the public.
2. Council Executive Committee will schedule the following items for closed session either during Executive Committee Meetings or Council Meetings. The agenda must list the reason for closing the meeting.
 - i. awarding of degrees (including honorary degrees) to specific persons;
 - ii. nomination or election of specific persons to faculty or university committees, councils, boards, or offices;
 - iii. employment, promotion, tenure, dismissal, grievance or discipline of specific persons;
 - iv. legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving the University, the faculty, or specific faculty members;
 - v. the character or professional qualifications of specific persons in any other manner, such that public disclosure of the discussion would be likely to have adverse effect on the person's career or reputation.
3. During the conduct of a meeting, a member of the Council may move to close the meeting on the basis of items i-v above. A motion to close must be approved by a two-thirds vote of those present.
4. If Council enters into a closed session despite the objection of one or more members, then the meeting minutes should state the objection to enter into closed session.
5. Unless otherwise authorized by Council, all persons present during a closed meeting shall keep the discussions in confidence.