A Union of Professionals Metropolitan State Faculty Federation

ISSUES & PRIORITIES

Shared Governance	Transparency	Long-Term Sustainability
Academic Freedom Academic Freedom needs to be respected in all cases of professional dispute.	Budget & Spending (Breakdowns & trends) Instructional support pat- terns, discretionary funds, salaries, increased adminis- tration, AHEC & bonds, etc.	Student Retention Support faculty, increase institutional resources, and address structural inequities, rather than putting all the retention onus on faculty.
Policies & Procedures Established policies and pro- cedures need to be followed, especially in cases of facul- ty discipline and sanctions. Ignoring due process triggers lawsuits.	Workstudy Funding Where is the funding for workstudy students? Depart- ments and students alike are struggling without workstudy resources.	Differentiated Workload Faculty and staff need a work/life balance to improve morale and productivity. Workplace surveys indicate MSU is at a crisis point.
Department Chairs Chairs need to be elected by department faculty and not by appointment or dismissed at-will. This is encouraging cronyism and discouraging creative problem solving.	Scholarship Support Professional Development funding is not equitable among the ranks, despite everyone being under review equally.	Out-of-Load Teaching (Credit banking policy) Faculty want compensation for additional work done: supervising internships, labs, teaching overloads, etc.
Cat II and Affiliates Category 2 and affiliate fac- ulty need stability from MSU, including healthcare, lifted teaching caps, departmental rights, and respect.	Support the MSFF Union MSFF has a very long history supporting faculty rights, including tenure, academic freedom, workload reduc- tion, and shared governance. Supporting the Metropolitan State Faculty Federation is supporting MSU Denver.	Working with Legislators Pursuing increased state funding and favorable poli- cies to help students, facul- ty, and staff.

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