

Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate Minutes of February 12, 2016

Present: Scott Berlin, Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maddie Cleghorn (Student Senate President), Karen Gipson (Chair), Brian Lakey, Nancy Levenburg, George Lundskow, Meri Goehring, Jon Hodge, Chuck Pazdernik (for Felix Ngassa), Mary O’Kelly, Tonya Parker, Samhita Rhodes, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Absent:

Ex Officio: Gayle Davis, Kathy Gulembo, Chris Plouff

Guests: Marie McKendall, Christine Rener, Ruth Stegeman

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of February 12, 2016 was reviewed	The Agenda of February 12, 2016 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of February 5, 2016 were reviewed.	The Minutes of February 5, 2016 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the final meeting of the year is scheduled for April 15 as a joint ECS /UAS meeting. The year-end reception will be held on that day in the Eberhard Center. The upcoming schedule and agenda items were presented with additional discussion on future presentations.	
4. Report from Provost	<p>Provost Davis reported on the governor’s budget recommendation, which includes additional money allocated for higher education with an approximate increase of \$4.4 million awarded to Grand Valley State University for performance.</p> <p>She further reported on the tuition cap recommendation from the State, and mentioned the possibility of getting into the queue for additional Capital Outlay funding in the future.</p> <p>Questions were raised and answered from the floor.</p>	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Cleghorn reported that Student Senate reviewed their bylaws and policies and are gearing up for their elections. She further reported that they are working with I&E on releasing climate study results in open forums for students. Questions were raised and answered from the floor.	

	<p>Ms. Cleghorn was thanked for her presentation to the Board of Trustees.</p>	
<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>a. Maddie Cleghorn presented an overview of the Student Success Summit material that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p><u>A motion was made and seconded</u> to support the creation of and planning for the Student Success Summit.</p> <p>b. Discussion was heard on the new Faculty Personnel Policy Committee draft charge for meaningful service that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>During discussion, a revised charge was proposed for consideration: <i>“Reconsider <u>Faculty Handbook</u> language (section 3.01.C), with consideration given to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) ways to better recognize faculty who engage in professionally-relevant service;</i> <i>b) strategies to expand categories of service of benefit to the university and to motivate and reward faculty who engage meaningfully in such service;</i> <i>c) ways to hold encourage faculty to become involved in service and to hold faculty accountable for doing service.</i> <p>Refer to UL and COE policies for examples.</p> <p><u>A motion was made and seconded</u> to support the charge to FPPC.</p> <p>c. Chris Plouff presented an overview of the material regarding a strategy for addressing Higher Learning Commission guidelines for “tested experience” that was distributed earlier and provided an update on work done since his last presentation to ECS. Discussion.</p> <p>d. Christine Renner presented an overview of the material distributed earlier regarding Community-engaged teaching, scholarship, and service that was distributed earlier. Ruth Stegeman distributed additional material summarizing results of a survey regarding rewards and community engagement. Discussion.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the creation of and planning for a Student Success Summit. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the following charge for the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee : <i>“Reconsider <u>Faculty Handbook</u> language (section 3.01.C), with consideration given to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>a) ways to better recognize faculty who engage in professionally- relevant service;</i> <i>b) strategies to expand categories of service of benefit to the university and to motivate and reward faculty who engage meaningfully in such service;</i> <i>c) ways to hold encourage faculty to become involved in service and to hold faculty accountable for doing service.</i> <p>Approved Unanimously</p>

	e. No discussion on Faculty Forum Action Items.	
7. Open Comment		
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:01pm	