

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of February 26, 2016

- Present:** Charles Baker-Clark (for Michael Sciarini), Christina Beaudoin, Maria Beelen (Student Senate), James Bell, Scott Berlin, Yatin Bhagwat, Matthew Boelkins, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maddie Cleghorn (Student Senate President), Paul Cornish, Danielle DeMuth, Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleischmann, Ella Fritzemeier (Student Senate), Karen Gipson (Chair), Douglas Graham, Meri Goehring, Christopher Haven, Jason Herlands, John Hodge, Brian Lakey, Paula Lancaster, Sean Lancaster (for Jason Siko), Fred Lawrence (for Lauren Presutti, GSA President), Jonathan Leidig, Claudia Leiras, Nancy Levenburg, George Lundskow, Kin Ma, Douglas Montagna, Kristine Mullendore (for Jacqueline Doyon-Martin), Sue Mlynarczyk (for Joy Washburn), Felix Ngassa (Vice Chair), Mary O’Kelly, Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Kathryn Remlinger, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, Jeffrey Rothstein (for Chad Lingwood), Georgette Sass, Melissa Tallman, Jeremy Turnbull (Student Senate), Christopher Toth, Jody Vogelzang, Deana Weibel, Randy Wyble, Donald Zinman
- Absent:** Deborah Bambini, James Sanford, Georgette Sass
- Ex Officio:** Gayle Davis, Ed Aboufadel, Maria Cimitile, Paul Plotkowski, Lee VanOrsdel
- Guests:** Monica Johnstone, Tim Thimmesch, Kathleen VanderVeen

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of February 26, 2016 was reviewed.	The Agenda of February 26, 2016 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of January 29, 2016 were reviewed.	The Minutes of January 29, 2016 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on President Haas’ statement that he would reduce tuition by 10% if the state legislature based funding on enrollment. She further reported on the revisions to the ECS & UAS schedule and announced that the climate survey results will be presented to the campus community on Wednesday, March 2 from 3-4:30 pm and will be streamed live online. She presented the actions of ECS over the month and identified upcoming agenda items and forthcoming initiatives.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis yielded the floor to Ed Aboufadel who presented an update of the changes made to the Administrative Manual regarding Affiliate faculty and a new category called Senior Affiliate. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Cleghorn reported that Student Senate is working on the budget for 2016-2017; working on bridging gaps in needs and priorities via the Diversity Affairs Committee and co-sponsoring the “Speak like a Girl” poetry event in April; and considering establishing Student Senate week as a concentrated effort to promote Student Senate.	

6. New Business	<p>a. Kathleen VanderVeen presented an overview of the Framework for Inclusion and Equity that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending endorsement of the Framework for Inclusion and Equity was voted on.</p> <p>b. Lee Van Orsdel and Mary O’Kelly distributed library initiatives in support of student success and presented an overview of the University Libraries programs and their role in student retention. Discussion followed with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>c. Tim Thimmesch presented an overview of the parking construction projects and lot allocations for Fall 2017 and addressed numerous questions raised from the floor.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate endorses the Framework for Inclusion and Equity as presented at the meeting. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Open Comment		
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:20pm	