Grand Valley State University University Academic Senate

Minutes of March 28, 2014

Present: Christina Beaudoin, Yatin Bhaqwat, Matt Boelkins, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Anthony Clemons (Student), Paul Cornish, Stephanie Ewart (Student),

Jacquelynn Doyon, Kurt Fanning, Karen Gipson, Meri Goehring, Doug Graham, Azfar Hussain, Brian Lakey, Paula Lancaster, Chad Lingwood, Nancy Levenburg, Kin Ma, Douglas Montagna, Jag Nandigam, Harvey Nikkel, Felix Ngassa, Mary O'Kelly, Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Tim Penning, Kathryn Remlinger, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, Donijo Robbins, Jeffrey Rothstein, Scott St. Louis, Jim Sanford, Michael Sciarini, Lynn Sheehan, Jason Siko, Jeanne Stoddard, Suganthi Sridhar,

Jiyeon Suh (sub. D. Zinman), Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Randy Wyble

Absent: Bogdan Adamczyk, Deb Bambini, Scott Berlin, Natalia Gomez, Brian Hatzel, Donald Paszek, Bill Ryan

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Gayle Davis, Joe Godwin, Paul Plotkowski

Guests: Ella Fritzemeier, Bob Hollister (Chair, FSBC), Paul Isley, Marie McKendall (Chair, FPPC), Paul Mudde, Amy Russell, Carly Simpson (Lanthorn), Robert Smart, David Stark,

Heather VanWarmer, Kathleen Underwood

The meeting was called to order at 3:46pm

Agend	a Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1.	Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 28, 2014 was reviewed.	The March 28, 2014 was approved
2.	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of February 28, 2014 were reviewed.	The Minutes of February 28, 2014 were
			approved as amended.
3.	Report from Chair	The Chair reported on upcoming agenda items. She further reported	
		on the business already conducted in March and noted that the Teach-	
		In held this past week had over 1,200 attendees.	
		She also reported on the election results for AY 2014-15.	
		Various questions were raised from the floor.	
4.	Report from Provost	Provost Davis extended her appreciation for the work of the Research	
		and Development sabbatical review committee.	
5.	Report from Student Senate	Student Senate Vice President Ewart reported that the Student Senate	
		election process is underway. She further reported that April 3 the	
		Student Senate is hosting another Town Hall regarding concerns over	
		donor contributions. Several resolutions were also approved.	
6.	New Business	a. Maria Cimitile presented an overview of the support received for	MOTION: The University Academic Senate
		the Entrepreneurship Major that was distributed earlier. Paul	supports the Entrepreneurship Minor.
		Isley answered questions raised from the floor.	APPROVED Unanimously.
		The motion from ECS recommending support of the	
		Entrepreneurship Minor was discussed.	

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	 b. Merritt Taylor(chair of R&D) presented a summary of the guiding principles of the writing group who developed the proposed revisions to the GVSU Administrative Manual 2.30.4 Faculty Sabbatical. There was discussion on the motion from ECS which reads: ECS supports the principle of the grid with the recognition that concerns raised will be addressed and UAS will see it again. A friendly amendment to the main motion was approved unanimously to include "amend that Section 4.2.30.4.K of the proposed policy draft from R&B, specifying the membership and purpose of the University Sabbatical Review Committee, be relocated to chapter 2 of the Faculty Handbook with a recommendation from the committee as to where to place it with respect to the other committees described there." Further discussion was heard regarding the changes recommended. 	MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the principle of the grid (the comparison chart showing changes in the R & D document) and supports amending Section 4.2.30.4.K of the proposed policy draft from R&D, specifying the membership and purpose of the University Sabbatical Review Committee, be relocated to chapter 2 of the Faculty Handbook with a recommendation from the committee as to where to place it with respect to the other committees described there. APPROVED with 4 Abstentions.
	 c. Neal Rogness presented an overview of the Collegiality Policy that was distributed earlier. Discussion. During discussion, it was noted that the policy will be published in the Grand Valley Manual and in the Student Code. A motion was made and seconded to support the Collegiality Policy. 	MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Collegiality Policy. APPROVED with 1 Nay.
7. Open Comment	None.	
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:19pm.	

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