

# Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of April 15, 2011

**Present:** Yatin Bhagwat, Gayle Davis (ex officio), Roger Ferguson, Joe Godwin (ex officio), Cynthia Grapczynski, Brian Hatzel, Bob Hendersen, Jon Jellema (ex officio), Sharon Leder, Nancy Levenburg (Vice Chair), Jarrett Martus (Student Senate President), Figen Mekik, Kristine Mullendore (Chair), Jag Nandingam, Mel Northup, Chuck Pazdernik, Ellen Schendel, Lynn Sheehan, Kathleen Underwood, Roger Wilson

**Guests:** Lawrence Burns, Cory DiCarlo, Nancy Giardina

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions	
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of April 15, 2011 was reviewed.	The Agenda of April 15, 2011 was approved as submitted.	
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of April 1, 2011 were reviewed.  The Minutes of April 8, 2011 were reviewed.	The Minutes of April 1, 2011 were approved.  The Minutes of April 8, 2011 were approved.	
3. Report of Chair	a) The Chair reported that there are two candidates for the ECS Chair – Cory DiCarlo and Figen Mekik. She further reported that both will run for Chair and whoever is not elected as Chair will then run for Vice Chair. Each will provide a statement of qualifications prior to the election. b) The Chair reported that she will serve as a substitute for a newly elected UAS member at the April 22, 2011, meeting. c) An update was presented on the “Idea Catcher” website. It was agreed that the site will remain active until May 1, 2011.		
4. Report of Provost	a) Provost Davis reported that she just returned from an Academic Officers meeting in Lansing, and indications are strong that the capitol outlay funds may not be released for the new science space. She further reported that there may be only a 14.5% reduction in appropriations, instead of 15%. b) Provost Davis reported that she has been addressing a variety of miscommunications regarding the summer pay issue, and further noted that the summer salary cap is no longer under consideration and there will be no further work on summer salary cuts until the Fall semester.  In response to a question raised from the floor, Provost Davis reported that the enrollment figures for Fall look strong, and she further stated that she does not expect growth to be greater than at the current pace.		

	c) Joe Godwin presented an overview of the block tuition initiative.		
5. Report from the Student Senate President	Student Senate President Martus reported that at the new Student Senate President and Vice President will be at the next ECS meeting.		
6. Report from the Standing Committee Chairs / Task Force	<p>The FSBC Evaluative Analysis on summer compensation that was distributed earlier was discussed, and a request made to have the document considered at UAS.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to receive the FSBC report and forward it to the UAS for review and consideration at their meeting today. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to divide the Motion into two portions. Discussion. <b>No vote taken</b> as the MAIN <b>MOTION WAS WITHDRAWN.</b></p> <p>It was noted that the FSBC has fulfilled its charge for an evaluative analysis and presentation to ECS.</p>		
7. New Business	None		
8. Old Business	None		
9. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.		