Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of October 10, 2014

Present: Ed Aboufadel, Robert Adams (for Jag Nandigam), Yatin Bhagwat Scott Berlin, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino,

Kurt Fanning (for Nancy Levenburg), Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Kin Ma (for Deana Weibel), Felix Ngassa, Mary O'Kelly (for Lynn Sheehan), Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Andrew Plague (Student Senate President), Christine

Smith, Joy Washburn

Absent: Brian Lakey

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Gayle Davis, Kathy Gulembo, Jon Jellema **Guests**: Bob Hollister, Patricia Houser, Audra Gamble (Lanthorn)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
 Approval of Agenda 	The Agenda of October 10, 2014 was reviewed.	The Agenda of October 10, 2014 was
		approved.
	A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> not to allow audio taping of ECS meetings.	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the
	Discussion.	Senate will not allow audio taping of its
		meetings.
		APPROVED with 3 abstentions.
Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 3, 2014 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 3 , 2014 were
		approved, as amended.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on the schedule for the rest of the month and presented	
	upcoming agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported on the number of personnel reviews for the past five	
	years. A table showing university level review practices at peer institutions	
	will be forthcoming to inform ECS discussion of this matter.	
	She further reported that she's attended several education conferences	
	where she was pleased that the name Grand Valley is becoming known.	

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5.	Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Plague reported that several hundred nominations have been received for Last Lecture. He further report that Student Senate is still engaged in issues related to pedestrian safety in the immediate off-campus area. They are holding an Open Forum on November 6th regarding freedom of speech on campus, Bias Incident Protocol, sexual assault, and the roles Disabilities Support Resources plays on campus for faculty, staff, and students. An official invitation will be sent out soon. He addressed a question from the floor regarding the alleged mugging on campus.	
6.	New Business	a. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the FSBC memo regarding the annual salary adjustment distributed earlier. A Motion was made and seconded to accept the FSBC memo and forward to UAS with a recommendation of support.	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the FSBC memo regarding the annual salary adjustment and forwards it to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation of support. APPROVED Unanimously.
		 b. The chair presented an overview of the curricular review process material that was distributed earlier. Discussion. A motion was made and seconded to change Faculty Handbook language to have final university review of new program proposals done by UCC instead of ECS/UAS unless requested. Discussion. The Chair and Vice Chair will present final language for ECS review next week. c. Patricia Houser presented an overview of material on transportation infrastructure adjacent to the Allendale campus that was distributed earlier. Discussion. 	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate recommends changing Faculty Handbook language to have final university review of new program proposals done by UCC instead of ECS/UAS unless requested. APPROVED Unanimously.
		d. Christine Rener facilitated discussion on what "Student Engagement" means to faculty and presented an overview of the FTLC activities and resources, as well as upcoming conferences and workshops.	

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	e. The Chair presented the new dates and times of the Fall Faculty Forum. The dates are: Tuesday, November 4 2pm to 3:30p Thursday, November 6 10am to Noon Friday, November 14 12:30pm to 2pm Discussion	
7. Open Comment	It is Homecoming this weekend; remember to honor our alumni.	
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5.02pm.	

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