

Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of October 23, 2015

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

Absent:

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Gayle Davis, Kathy Gulembo

Guests: Robert Adams, Mark Luttenton, Kin Ma, Chuck Pazdernik

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of October 23, 2015 was reviewed.	The Agenda of October 23, 2015 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 9, 2015 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 9, 2015 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the Faculty Forum dates have been set and an email invitation will be sent to the campus community. She reminded ECS members that the Teach-In is scheduled for Thursday, January 21, 2016 and presented upcoming agenda items for the UAS meeting scheduled for October 30.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported that the search for College of Education dean position is underway and that applications have been received for the two Assistant Vice President positions,	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Cleghorn presented an update on the work of the Student Senate, including partnering with the “It’s on Us” campaign with the Women’s Center. She also noted that Last Lecture nominations close at 5pm today.	
6. Old Business	a. There was discussion on the Task Force on Accessibility Impediments material that was distributed earlier, with language clarifications and suggested membership approved by consensus.	

<p>7. New Business</p>	<p>a. Kin Ma presented an overview of the MLK Commemoration Week activities planned for January 18-23, 2016.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to endorse and encourage participation in the MLK Commemoration week activities and forward to UAS with a recommendation of support. Discussion.</p> <p>b. Robert Adams presented an overview of the implementation of the Internationalization taskforce recommendations that were distributed earlier.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the implementation of the Internationalization taskforce recommendations as presented. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to send to UAS with a recommendation of support.</p> <p>c. Robert Adams presented an overview of the material on Credit Hour Definitions that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Credit Hour Definitions and forward to UAS with a recommendation of support. Discussion.</p> <p>d. Mark Luttenton presented an overview of the Graduate Academic Policy for Project Thesis and Dissertation material that was distributed earlier. During discussion, several language changes were made for clarification.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Graduate Academic Policy for Project Thesis material, as well as language changes made at the meeting, and forward to UAS with a recommendation of support.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate endorses and encourages participation in the MLK Commemoration week activities and forwards to UAS with a recommendation of support. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the implementation of the Internationalization taskforce recommendations as presented. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the implementation of the Internationalization taskforce recommendations to UAS with a recommendation to support. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Credit Hour Definitions and forwards to UAS with a recommendation of support. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Graduate Academic Policy for Project, Thesis and Dissertation with the language changes made at the meeting, and forwards to UAS with a recommendation of support. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
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	<p>e. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the USETI Final Report that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept delivery the report and forward to UAS.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to rescind the recommendation of support to the UAS Round 3 Recommendations. Discussion.</p> <p>f. Faculty Request: Posting ECS materials on website – NO DISCUSSION</p> <p>g. Faculty Request: Emergency procedures for active shooters – NO DISCUSSION</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts delivery the report and forwards to UAS. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate rescinds the recommendation of support to UAS on the USETI Round 3 Recommendations. Not Approved by Voice Vote</p>
8. Open comment	Provost Davis shared how impressed she is with the work of the senate.	
9. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:03pm	