

Grand Valley State University University Academic Senate Minutes of October 30, 2015

- Present:** Ed Aboufadel, Deborah Bambini, Christina Beaudoin, James Bell, Scott Berlin, Yatin Bhagwat, Matt Boelkins, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maddie Cleghorn (Student Senate President), Paul Cornish, Danielle DeMuth, Jacquelynn Doyon-Martin, Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleischmann, Ella Fritzemeier (Student Senate), Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Douglas Graham, Jason Herlands, John Hodge (for Christopher Haven), Sean Lancaster (for Paula Lancaster), Jonathan Leidig, Claudia Leiras, Nancy Levenburg, Chad Lingwood, George Lundskow, Kin Ma, John Martin (for Christopher Toth), Douglas Montagna, Felix Ngassa (Vice Chair), Mary O’Kelly, Sean O’Melia (Student Senate), Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Lauren Presutti (GSA President), Elizabeth Psyck, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, James Sanford, Georgette Sass, Jason Siko, Melissa Tallman, Cynthia Thompson (for Kathryn Remlinger), Jody Vogelzang, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Randy Wyble, Donald Zinman
- Absent:** Charles Baker-Clark, Brian Lakey,
- Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Gayle Davis, Kathy Gulembo
- Guests:** Philip Batty, Jesse Bernal, Kumail Lassi, Mark Luttenton, Marie McKendall, Theresa Rowland, Patricia Schafer, Richard Vallery, Melba Velez Ortiz

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of October 30, 2015 was reviewed. A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to consolidated 6 l and 6j. Discussion.	A amendment was requested to the agenda of October 30, 2015 by consolidating items 6i and 6j and was Not Approved so the agenda will proceed as distributed.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of September 25, 2015 were reviewed.	The Minutes of September 25, 2015 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the Strategic plan flyer was courtesy of President Haas. She announced that the climate study will begin November 12 and a Faculty Forum was held this morning with other forums scheduled for November 10 at CHS 119 from 2-4p; November 11 at KC 2266 from 8-10am. She further announced that the Teach-In is scheduled for Thursday January 21, and identified committee members. She presented an update on the work of ECS and upcoming agenda items. The next UAS meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 11.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis updated the senate on various searches underway in her office.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Cleghorn reported that Student Senate	

	<p>passed several resolutions and announced that the Last Lecture will be given by Dean Bart Merkle on November 19; Student Senate hosted a conference for the Student Association of Michigan, and today they spent time with students from Dickenson Academy.</p>	
<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>a. Vice President Jesse Bernal and Title IX Officer Theresa Rowland presented an update on the Division of Inclusion and Equity and their 2015-16 priority initiatives. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p> <p>b. Kin Ma, Co-Chair of MLK Commemoration Week Committee, distributed a flyer regarding the MLK Commemoration Week and presented an overview of events.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the MLK Commemoration Week was voted on.</p> <p>c. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the updates recommended to the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee Description that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the updates to the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee Description was voted on.</p> <p>d. The Salary Adjustment Recommendations from FSBC that were distributed earlier were discussed.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Salary Adjustment Recommendations from the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee was voted on.</p> <p>e. Maria Cimitile and Patricia Schafer presented an overview of the Implementation of the Internationalization Task Force Recommendations that were distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Internationalization Task Force Recommendations was voted on.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the MLK Commemoration Week Activities. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the updates to the FPPC Committee description. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Salary Adjustment Recommendations from FSBC. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Internationalization Task Force Recommendations. APPROVED Unanimously</p>

f. Maria Cimitile and Patricia Schafer presented an overview of the Credit Hour Definitions recommended by UCC that were distributed earlier. Discussion.

The motion forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Credit Hour Definitions recommendation from the University Curriculum Committee was voted on.

g. Mark Luttenton presented an overview of the Graduate Policy for Project, Thesis and Dissertation Credits that was distributed earlier.

The motion forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Graduate Policy for Project, Thesis and Dissertation Credits was voted on.

h. Melba Velez Ortiz presented an overview of the request for a Creation of Taskforce on Accessibility Impediments that was distributed earlier. Discussion.

The motion forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Creation of Taskforce on Accessibility Impediments was voted on.

There was additional discussion on who shall be included as members on the task force.

i. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the USETI Final Report that was distributed earlier.

The motion forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to accept the USETI Final Report was briefly discussed and TABLED until item 6j is discussed.

j. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the USETI Round 3 Recommendations that were distributed earlier. Karen Gipson presented the concerns expressed by University Counsel regarding the recommendations in Round 3 of the USETI Report. Discussion.

MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Credit Hour Definitions recommended by the University Curriculum Committee, as amended.

APPROVED Unanimously

MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Graduate Policy for Project, Thesis and Dissertation Credits.

APPROVED Unanimously

MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Creation of Taskforce on Accessibility Impediments.

APPROVED Unanimously

MOTION: The University Academic Senate tables discussion on item 6.i USETI Final Report until after item 6.j. USETI Round 3 Recommendations are discussed.

APPROVED Unanimously

	<p>A <u>motion</u> was made to separate the various segments of recommendations and discuss separately.</p> <p>Discussion was heard on Section 3.1. Transition Issues for Mid-Review Faculty.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to return the USETI Report to ECS for further development in consultation with University Counsel and the USETI Taskforce. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to call the question.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.</p> <p>Discussion was heard to provide feedback to help amend the USETI recommendations.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to hold a joint ECS/UAS meeting on November 20 to continue discussion of this topic.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate agrees to separate the various segments of recommendations into three sections and discuss separately. APPROVED by majority voice vote</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate returns the USETI Report to ECS for further development in consultation with University Counsel and the USETI Taskforce. APPROVED with 1 abstention.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate extends the meeting by 15 minutes. APPROVED by majority voice vote</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate will hold a joint ECS/UAS meeting on November 20 to continue this discussion. APPROVED Unanimously.</p>
7. Open Comment	None	
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:16pm	