

# Grand Valley State University

## Executive Committee of the Senate

### Minutes of November 21, 2008

**Present:** David Bair, Teresa Beck, Larry Burns (Vice Chair), Gayle Davis (ex officio), Kurt Fanning (for Yatin Bhagwat), Joe Godwin (ex officio), Brian Hatzel, Robert Hendersen, Sharon Leder, Paul Leidig, Nancy Levenburg, Kristine Mullendore (Chair), Ellen Schendel, Steven Schlicker, Bob Schoofs, Autumn Trombka (Student), Kathleen Underwood, Jeroen Wagendorp, Roy Winegar

**Guests:** Kurt Ellenburger, Chelsea Ponstein (Lanthorn), Tamara Rosier, Samita Rhoades, Patricia Smith, Charlie Standridge, John Stevenson, Ellen Yezierski

The meeting was called to order at 3:02pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The agenda of November 21, 2008 was reviewed.	The agenda of November 21, 2008 was approved as amended.
2. Approval of Minutes	No Minutes for Approval	No Minutes for Approval
3. Report of Chair	<p>a) The Chair reported that Brain Hatzel has agreed to serve as the Academic Governance representative to the Second Year Experience Task Force.</p> <p>b) The Chair reported that CMB prospectus will not be on the UAS Agenda in December as it is being revised.</p> <p>c) The Chair encouraged all faculty members to attend the next Academic Affairs Town Hall meeting scheduled for November 24, 2008.</p> <p>d) The Chair encouraged all faculty members to attend Commencement on Saturday, December 6.</p>	
4. Report of Provost	<p>a) Provost Davis reported that the Academic Affairs Town Hall meeting on November 19 was lightly attended, but good discussions were held. All faculty members are invited to the next meeting scheduled for November 24 beginning at 4pm.</p> <p>b) Provost Davis reported that former Grand Valley Vice President Sue Martin was installed as the President at Eastern Michigan University.</p>	
5. Report of Student Senate	<p>a) Student Senate President Trombka reported that the Last Lecture series held on Tuesday was a success..</p> <p>b) Ms. Trombka reported that the University Leadership Roundtable was successful as well.</p>	

<p>6. Report from Committees/Task Forces</p>	<p>a) The Chair presented an overview of the proposal from the FTLC and FTLCAC to revise the Faculty Handbook language at 3.05 regarding eligibility for the University Outstanding Teacher Award. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to forward the proposal from the FTLC and FTLCAC to revise the <u>Faculty Handbook</u> language at 3.05 regarding eligibility for the University Outstanding Teacher Award to the University Academic Senate.</p> <p>b) Ellen Yezierski and Tamara Rosier presented an overview of the material that was distributed earlier regarding the FTLCAC proposed revisions to the "Effective Teaching" language in the <u>Faculty Handbook</u>. Discussion. The FPPC and FTLCAC have set a tentative date to hold a Forum on this topic for January 30, 2009. Further information will be distributed when confirmed.</p> <p>c) Implementation Proposal on the Report from the Student Evaluation of Teaching (SET) Task Force. NO DISCUSSION</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the proposal from the FTLC and FTLCAC to revise the <u>Faculty Handbook</u> language at 3.05 regarding eligibility for the University Outstanding Teacher Award to the University Academic Senate. <b>APPROVED: Unanimously</b></p>
<p>1. Old Business</p>	<p>a) The material distributed earlier on the AWRI Proposal to be restructured as an academic unit was discussed.</p> <p>By <u>consensus</u>, it was agreed that the Chair of ECS should work with the AWRI to refine their Final Plan and present it again next semester.</p> <p>b) The Graduate Council proposed policy on qualifications of Adjunct/Clinical faculty teaching in Graduate Programs that was distributed earlier was discussed.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to support the proposal as amended at this meeting, and forward it to the University Academic Senate.</p>	<p>By consensus, it was agreed that the Chair of ECS will work with the AWRI to refine their Final Plan and have it presented again next semester.</p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Graduate Council proposed policy on qualifications of Adjunct/Clinical</p>

8. New Business		<p>faculty teaching in Graduate Programs, as amended at this meeting, and forwards it to the University Academic Senate.  <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
	<p>a) The Biomedical Engineering Prospectus, including recommendations from the UCC and FSBC were discussed.  A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Prospectus, including the recommendation of the development of a Final Plan.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Biomedical Engineering Prospectus and forwards it to Administration with a recommendation to develop a Final Plan.  <b>APPROVED: Unanimously.</b></p>
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm	