

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of November 20, 2015

- Present:** Ed Aboufadel, Robert Adams (for Jonathan Leidig), Deborah Bambini, Christina Beaudoin, James Bell, Scott Berlin, Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maddie Cleghorn (Student Senate President), Paul Cornish, Danielle DeMuth, Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleischmann, Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Douglas Graham, Jason Herlands, Jon Hodge (for Christopher Haven), Brian Lakey, Paula Lancaster, Sean Lancaster (for Jason Siko), Claudia Leiras, George Lundskow, Kin Ma, Neil MacDonald (for Georgette Sass), Douglas Montagna, Kristine Mullendore (for Jacquelynn Doyon-Martin), Felix Ngassa (Vice Chair), Rebecca Noell (Student Senate), Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, Melissa Tallman, Cynthia Thompson (for Kathryn Remlinger), Maria Turnbull (Student Senate), Richard Vallery (for Deana Weibel), Jody Vogelzang, Darren Walhof (for Matt Boelkins), Joy Washburn, Randy Wyble, Donald Zinman
- Absent:** Chad Lingwood, Nancy Levenburg, Mary O’Kelly, Tonya Parker, James Sanford, Michael Sciarini, Christopher Toth
- Ex Officio:** Gayle Davis, Maria Cimitile, Jon Jellema
- Guests:** Marty Abramson, Philip Batty, Alice Chapman, Grace Coolidge, Jack Mangala, Meghan McBrady, Michelle Rhodes, Mark Williams

The meeting was called to order at 3:00m with members introducing themselves.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of November 20, 2015 was reviewed.	The Agenda of November 20, 2015 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 30, 2015 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 30, 2015 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	<p>The Chair reported that the deadline for submitting Teach-In proposals was extended to November 30. She further announced the upcoming meeting schedule and expected agenda items.</p> <p>The Chair presented a brief summary of the work of the task force leading up to the USETI recommendations under discussion and reviewed the guidelines to be used for the meeting.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to revise the proposed time allowed to speak from 10 minutes to 3 minutes.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate limits the time allowed to speak on any motion to three minutes.</p> <p>APPROVED with 1 Nay</p>
4. Report from Provost	<p>Provost Davis reported that her office is concluding the 1st round of COE dean candidate interviews, and also reported that she will announce her selection of Assistant Vice Presidents in her office soon.</p> <p>It was announced that Jack Mangala is the new Civil Discourse chair and he will focus on the global forces driving immigration.</p>	

<p>5. Report from Student Senate</p>	<p>Student Senate President Cleghorn reported that the Battle of the Valleys raised over twelve thousand dollars for the Grand Valley Children’s fund. She also reported that the last lecture with Dean Bart Merkle was held last night, and she announced that the “Good Samaritan” resolution regarding concealed carry on campus was voted down at the Student Senate meeting.</p>	
<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>a. Karen Gipson presented an overview of the USETI Recommendation 3-1 that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the 3-1 USETI recommendation was voted on.</p> <p>b. Karen Gipson presented an overview of the USETI Recommendation 3-2 that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to change the language in the title replacing “<i>Minimum</i>” to now read “<i>Target.</i>” Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to strike the sentence “<i>Encouragement could be made through methods such as providing a small amount of extra credit to a class provided that a benchmark response rate is met, etc.</i>” in the recommendation. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to strike the words “<i>For use in merit and personnel decisions</i>” in the title of Recommendation 3-2.</p> <p>A <u>motion to Call The Question</u> was made, seconded and supported.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the 3-2 USETI recommendation was voted on.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the USETI Recommendation 3-1. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate changes the language in the title replacing Minimum to now read “<i>Target.</i>” APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate removes the sentence “<i>Encouragement could be made through methods such as providing a small amount of extra credit to a class provided that a benchmark response rate is met, etc.</i>” APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate strikes the words “<i>For use in merit and personnel decisions</i>” in the title. APPROVED by majority.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the USETI Recommendation 3-2 as amended at the meeting. APPROVED with 31 Yes; 8 No; 4 Abstentions.</p>

	<p>c. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the USETI Recommendation 3-3 that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to strike entire paragraph beginning with <i>“In addition, the USETI task force wanted to affirm the division.....remove the word ‘formative from the reports’</i> from the Recommendation 3-3. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the 3-3 USETI recommendation was discussed.</p> <p>d. Karen Gipson presented an overview of the USETI Recommendation 3-4 that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the 3-4 USETI recommendation was discussed.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate strikes entire paragraph beginning with <i>“In addition, the USETI task force wanted to affirm the division.....remove the word ‘formative from the reports’</i> from the Recommendation 3-3. APPROVED by majority.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the USETI Recommendation 3-3 as amended at the meeting. APPROVED with 34 Yes; 6 No; 3 Abstentions.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the USETI Recommendation 3-4. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Open Comment	George Lundskow commented on <i>IASystem</i> .	
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:56pm	