

# Grand Valley State University

## Executive Committee of the Senate

### Minutes of March 13, 2015

**Present:** Ed Aboufadel, Robert Adams (for Nandigam), Scott Berlin, Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Nancy Levenburg, Felix Ngassa, Chuck Pazdernik (for Brian Lakey), Andrew Plague (Student Senate President), Lynn Sheehan, Christine Smith, Joy Washburn, Deanna Weibel

**Absent:** Tonya Parker

**Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Gayle Davis, Kathy Gulembo

**Guests:** Marie McKendall, Janel Pettes Guikema, Christine Renner, Merritt Taylor

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 13, 2015 was reviewed.	The Agenda of March 13, 2015 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of February 6, 2015 were reviewed.	The Minutes of February 6, 2015 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that Andrew Plague was honored at the Pride Awards for his service to community. The report from University Personnel Review Task Force will be on the next agenda. The interfaith space room revisions are underway. She also reported on the progress of the Teach-In scheduled for April 2 and provided the senate a list of the upcoming agenda items for ECS and UAS.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported that the second meeting of the Black Student Coalition went very well. She answered questions raised from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Andrew Plague reported that Student Senate will be voting on an endorsement of the strategic plan; the Diversity Affairs Committee will be helping the Office of Student Life with the Intercultural Festival scheduled for next week; President Haas's virtual office hours are scheduled for next week Thursday, March 19th 1:00-2:30. Faculty and students welcome to ask questions. He also explained the "Hack your Campus" event scheduled for March 20.	

<p>6. New Business</p>	<p>a. Karen Gipson (for Ross Reynolds) presented an overview of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee change in membership that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the change in Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee membership as presented, and forward to UAS with a recommendation for approval.</p> <p>b. Merritt Taylor presented an overview of the University Sabbatical Review Committee change in rankings that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the change in rankings recommended by the University Sabbatical Review Committee and to act on behalf of UAS on this item. Additional discussion was heard on the recommended changes.</p> <p>c. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the Universal Student Evaluations of Teaching Implementation report that was distributed earlier and summarized eight recommendations made in the report. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Universal Student Evaluations of Teaching Implementation timeline and recommendations presented in the report, and forward to UAS with a recommendation for approval. Discussion.</p> <p>d. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee memo on Workload Plans that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the recommendations in the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee memo on Workload Plans and forward to UAS with a recommendation for approval. Discussion.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the change in membership for the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee as presented at the meeting, and forwards to UAS with a recommendation for approval. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate acts on behalf of the University Academic Senate and supports the change in rankings proposed by the University Sabbatical Review Committee as presented. <b>APPROVED with 4 Nays</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Universal Student Evaluations of Teaching Implementation timeline and recommendations presented in the report, and forwards to UAS with a recommendation for approval. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the recommendations in the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee memo on Workload Plans, as revised at the meeting, and forwards to UAS with a recommendation for approval. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
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	<p>e. Janel Pettes Guikema presented an overview of the Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Advisory Committee change in description that was distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the changes in description recommended by the Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Advisory Committee, and forward to UAS.</p> <p>f. Response to meeting of Black Student Coalition that was distributed earlier. NO DISCUSSION</p> <p>g. Presentations at UAS meetings. NO DISCUSSION.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the changes in description recommended by the Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Advisory Committee, and forwards to UAS with a recommendation for approval.</p> <p><b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
7. Open Comment		
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:54pm.	