

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of October 25, 2013

Present: Christina Beaudoin, Ricky Benavidez (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maddie Cleghorn (Student Senate), Anthony Clemons (Student Senate), Paul Cornish, Gayle Davis (ex officio), Jacquelyn Doyon, Kurt Fanning, Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Natalia Gomez, Doug Graham, Julie Guevara (ex officio), Brian Hatzel, Azfar Hussain, Jon Jellema (ex officio), Brian Lakey, Kin Ma, Doug Montagna, Jag Nandigam, Harvey Nikkel, Felix Ngassa, Mary O’Kelly, Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Donald Paszek, Chuck Pazdernik, Tim Penning, Andrew Plague (for Stephanie Swart, Student Senate), Paul Plotkowski (ex officio), Jeffrey Potteiger (ex officio), Kathryn Remlinger, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, Donijo Robbins, Scott St. Louis (Student Senate), Michael Sciarni, Lynn Sheehan, Jason Siko, Jeanne Stoddard, Jiyeon Suh, Frank Sylvester (for Suganthi Sridhar), Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Randy Wyble

Guests: DeMario Bell, Erik Fermin (MSW Intern), Bob Hollister (FSBC Chair), Paul Jabaay (Graduate Student Association President), Lori Koste (former ASPC Chair), Paul Leidig (NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative),

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of October 25 was reviewed.	The Agenda was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of September 27, 2013 were reviewed.	The Minutes of September 27, 2013 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on the business of ECS. First Faculty Forum was held today with another one scheduled for Tuesday, October 29. Additional information will be presented after the 2 nd Forum. The Chair also presented an update on the upcoming agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported that budget and planning meetings have been held and continue throughout the semester. She also reported that the first round of scheduling is underway. The pool of candidates for the Dean of Seidman College of Business has been established.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Benavidez reported that Homecoming was held this past weekend. He presented an overview of student senate work including: collecting non-perishable food for the student pantry, working to either secure a space for or to house Interfaith activities on	

	campus, holding a T-shirt swap as a way to raise school spirit, and working with Laker Traditions to revamp Battle of the Valleys.	
6. Old Business	<p>a. Lori Koste presented an overview of the APSC memo on their recommendation not make changes to the Academic Calendar and gave background information on the work of the committee bringing them to their conclusions. A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the APSC recommendation that the Academic Calendar not be altered to include a Fall Break. Discussion.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the APSC recommendation that the Academic Calendar not be altered to include a Fall Break. APPROVED: 24 Yes; 17 No</p>
b. New Business	<p>a. Julie Guevara presented an update on the Strategic Planning Process. Discussion.</p> <p>b. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Annual Salary Adjustment memo. Discussion. A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FSBC Annual Salary Adjustment memo, as recommended by ECS.</p> <p>c. Lynne Sheehan presented an overview of the ULFA Guidelines A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the ULFA Guidelines, as recommended by ECS.</p> <p>d. Ricky Benavidez, Student Senate President, presented an overview of the Graduate Student Representation on Standing Committees resolution that was distributed earlier. Paul Jabaay, Graduate Student Association President, presented an argument supporting an increase to graduate student representation on committees based on approximately 14% of Grand Valley students being graduate students. Dean Jeffrey Potteiger presented background information on the history of graduate student associations. Discussion. Bob Hollister argued against having a graduate student representative on FSBC.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to strike FSBC from the list of standing committees in the proposed language changes to the FH regarding Student Representation, with the understanding that the FSBC student may be either an undergraduate or graduate student. Discussion.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the FSBC Annual Salary Adjustment. APPROVED with 1 abstention.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the ULFA Guidelines from University Libraries. APPROVED Unanimously.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate strikes FSBC from the list of standing committees in the proposed language changes to the Faculty Handbook regarding Student Representation, with the understanding that the FSBC student may be an undergraduate or graduate student. APPROVED.</p>

	<p><u>A motion was made and seconded</u> supporting changes to the <u>Faculty Handbook</u> regarding Graduate Student Representatives on standing committees, as recommended by ECS.</p> <p>e. Paul Leidig reported on the NCAA Division II Faculty Athletics Representatives work this year. Discussion.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the changes to the Faculty Handbook regarding Graduate Student Representatives on standing committees. APPROVED with 1 abstention.</p>
c. Open Comment	None	
d. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:00.	