

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of February 2, 2018

- Present:** Carly Aller (Student Senate), Corey Anton, Deborah Bambini, Christina Beaudoin, James Bell, Yatin Bhagwat, Matthew Boelkins, Jon Bowman (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Kevin Chui (Student Senate), Alisha Davis, Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleishmann, Douglas Graham, Jason Herlands, Jon Hodge, Naoki Kanaboshi, Courtney Karasinski, Brian Lakey, Sean Lancaster, Jonathan Leidig, Claudia Leiras, Salvador Lopez-Arias, Kin Ma, Amy McFarland, Douglas Montagna, Harvey Nikkel, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Karen Pezzitti (for Ross Reynolds), Elizabeth Psyck, Karyn Rabourn, Kathryn Remlinger, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, James Sanford, Georgette Sass, Gayle Schaub, Paul Sicilian, Kevin Strychar, Melissa Tallman, Christopher Toth, Jody Vogelzang, Joy Washburn, Megan Woller-Skar, Dan Ziegenfelder (Student Senate)
- Absent:** Joan Borst, Tyler Kanczuzewski (Graduate Student Association President), George Lundskow, Tonya Parker, Deana Weibel, Jennifer Winther
- Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Bonnie Bowen, Ellen Schendel
- Guests:** Jodi Chycinski, Bob Hollister, Mark Schaub, Agnieszka Szarecka

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

| Agenda Items | Discussion | Action / Decisions |
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| 1. Approval of Agenda | The Agenda of February 2, 2018 was reviewed. | The Agenda of February 2, 2018 was approved as presented. |
| 2. Approval of Minutes | The Minutes of December 1, 2017 were reviewed. | The Minutes of December 1, 2017 were approved as submitted. |
| 3. Report from Chair | The Chair reported that the Faculty Awards Convocation was held yesterday, and the Board of Trustees met today. He further reported on several upcoming events, including a Faculty and Staff Retention Symposium, a Military-connected Student Awareness Workshop, and Mandatory GVSU cyber security awareness training. He further reported on the initiatives underway at ECS, including a review of the Bylaws and showed the revamped Faculty Governance website as well as the proposed senate schedule and upcoming agenda items. | |
| 4. Report from Provost | Provost Cimitile reported that the Faculty Awards Convocation was held, and the Board of Trustees approved the Communication Science & Disorders and Masters in Social innovation and conducted an initial review of the Masters in Athletic Training. She further reported that she is working with Business & Finance on increasing faculty salaries and her office is working with various groups on summer enrollment (www.gvsu.edu/GVsummer). She referred to the email from President Haas on sexual harassment and asked all faculty to remain aware and report any suspected violations. | |

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| | She further reported that AVP Aboufadel is working with Inclusion & Equity to review current policies. | |
| 5. Report from Student Senate | Student Senate President Bowman reported that the vacancies on Student Senate were filled, and he provided an overview of his presentation before the Board of Trustees. He announced the winners of various awards to be presented at the President's Ball this evening. | |
| New Business | <p>a. Assistant Vice President and Director of Admissions Jodi Chycinski presented an overview of recruitment efforts in admissions and highlighted the multiple ways her office works to recruit students, and how faculty can help those efforts. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p> <p>b. The Chair presented an overview of the revision made to the Academic Organization of Grand Valley in <u>Faculty Handbook</u> Section 2.01 and showed the memo to the provost and her response. Discussion.</p> <p>c. Agnieszka Szarecka presented an overview of the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation on Transfer Credit Policy that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>During discussion, <u>a motion was made and seconded</u> to separate the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation into two separate motions.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation of No Change to the 30 credit residency requirement.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation of No Change to the minimum grade requirement.</p> | <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports separating the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation into two separate motions. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation of No Change to the 30 credit residency requirement. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation of No Change to the minimum grade requirement. Motion Defeated with 19 Yes; 25 No</p> |

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| | <p>The faculty who voted no were asked to forward their rationale to the Academic Policies and Standards Committee so they can address the concerns. A request was made to have a representative from Academic Policies and Standards Committee return to the next UAS meeting and also invite Philip Batty (Institutional Analysis) to the meeting to provide data and answer questions.</p> <p>d. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the FSBC recommendation on Adjunct Pay that was distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Adjunct Pay was voted on.</p> <p>e. Mark Schaub presented an overview of the Padnos International Center and International Activities report that was distributed earlier. He also noted that a scholarship is in development to assist students wishing to travel abroad. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p> | <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Adjunct Pay. APPROVED Unanimously</p> |
| 6. Adjournment | The meeting adjourned at 4:57pm | |