

Grand Valley State University University Academic Senate

Minutes of April 13, 2018

Present: Corey Anton, Deborah Bambini, Christina Beaudoin, Jon Bowman (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Kevin Chui (Student Senate), Alisha Davis, Brian Deyo (for Ross Reynolds), Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleischman, Douglas Graham, Jason Herlands, Jon Hodge, Rachel Jenkin (Student Senate), Naoki Kanaboshi, Courtney Karasinski, Brian Lakey, Sean Lancaster, Jonathan Leidig, , Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Kin Ma, Doug Montagna, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Karyn Rabourn Kathryn Remlinger, Ross Reynolds, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, James Sanford, Georgette Sass, Gayle Schaub, Paul Sicilian, Melissa Tallman, Christopher Toth, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Jennifer Winther, Megan Woller-Skar, Eric Szczepaniak (Student Senate)

Absent: James Bell, Yatin Bhagwat, Matthew Boelkins, Joan Borst, Tyler Kanczuzewski (GSA), Claudia Leiras, Amy McFarland, Harvey Nikkel, Kevin Strychar, Jody Vogelzang

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Bonnie Bowen, Ellen Schendel

Guests: Robert Adams, Sarah Beaubien, Pat Bloem, Robert Deaner, Marie McKendall, Matt Ruen, Mark Schaub, Bob Schoofs, Elena Selezneva, Eric Szczepaniak, Olivia Williams

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of April 13, 2018 was reviewed.	The Agenda of April 13, 2018 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of April 6, 2018 were reviewed.	The Minutes of April 6, 2018 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the Presidential Search Committee is on campus and encouraged all faculty to attend and provide feedback. The proposed schedule and agenda items were presented. The newly elected faculty senators will be invited to the year-end meeting for introductions.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported that she met privately with the Presidential Search Committee and discussed the uniqueness of Grand Valley State University. She further reported that she held two unit head meetings to discuss the low registration rate for fall enrollment and ways to bolster that. The interviews with Dean of Students candidates are complete, with a decision expected soon. Provost Cimitile reported on proposed changes to sabbaticals and addressed questions raised from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Bowman reported that new Student Senate president is Rachel Jenkin.	
6. New Business	a. Robert Adams presented an overview of the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) recommendation on culminating experiences that was distributed earlier.	MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the UCC recommendation on culminating experiences.

	<p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded from the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the UCC recommendation on culminating experience was voted on.</p> <p>b. Robert Adams presented an overview of the UCC recommendation on the criteria for credit-bearing digital badges/credentials that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded from the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the UCC recommendation on the criteria for credit-bearing digital badges/credentials.</p> <p>c. Robert Adams presented an overview of the UCC recommendation on changes to the standing responsibilities of UCC that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded from the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the UCC recommendation on changes to the standing responsibilities of UCC was voted on.</p> <p>d. Matt Ruen presented an overview of the request for the creation of an Open Education Resources (OER) and Affordable Course Materials (ACM) task force to engage in charges as distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the request for the creation of an Open Education Resources (OER) and Affordable Course Materials (ACM) task force to engage in charges was voted on.</p> <p>e. Bob Schoofs presented an overview of the International Education Committee (IEC) request to claim Study Abroad Directing as an Area of Significant Focus on Faculty Activity Plans and Faculty Activity Reports.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the International Education Committee (IEC) request to claim Study Abroad Directing as an Area of Significant Focus on Faculty Activity Plans and Faculty Activity Reports was voted on.</p> <p>f. Robert Deaner presented an overview of the University Sabbatical Review Committee (USRC) recommendations on revisions to the timeline for</p>	<p>APPROVED 28 Yes; 7 No; 1 Abstention</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the University Curriculum Committee recommendation on the criteria for credit-bearing digital badges/credentials. APPROVED with 2 Abstentions</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the University Curriculum Committee recommendation on changes to the standing responsibilities of UCC. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports support the request for the creation of an Open Education Resources (OER) and Affordable Course Materials (ACM) task force to engage in charges APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the International Education Committee (IEC) request to claim Study Abroad Directing as an Area of Significant Focus on Faculty Activity Plans and Faculty Activity Reports. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the University</p>
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	<p>sabbatical reviews that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the University Sabbatical Review Committee (USRC) recommendations on revisions to the timeline for sabbatical reviews was voted on.</p> <p>g. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendations on adjustments to personnel policy that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendations on adjustments to personnel policy was voted on.</p> <p>h. Provost Cimitile and AVP Bonnie Bowen presented budget data and addressed questions raised from the floor.</p> <p>By consensus, it was agreed to extend the meeting for 5 minutes.</p>	<p>Sabbatical Review Committee (USRC) recommendations on revisions to the timeline for sabbatical reviews. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendations on adjustments to personnel policy. APPROVED with 3 No</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:07pm	