

# Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of April 8, 2011

**Present:** Yatin Bhagwat, Gayle Davis (ex officio), Cory DiCarlo (for Ellen Schendel), Gwenden Dueker (for Bob Hendersen), Roger Ferguson, Joe Godwin (ex officio), Cynthia Grapczynksi, Brian Hatzel, Jon Jellema (ex officio), Sharon Leder, Nancy Levenburg (Vice Chair), Jarrett Martus (Student Senate President), Kristine Mullendore (Chair), Mel Northup, Chuck Pazdernik, Lynn Sheehan, Kathleen Underwood, Richard Vallery (for Figen Mekik)

**Guests:** Nancy Giardina, Dan Vaughn

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of April 8, 2011 was reviewed.	The Agenda of April 8, 2011 was approved as submitted.
2. Approval of Minutes	There were no Minutes for review.	
3. Report of Chair	<p>a) The Chair reported that the FSBC is working on its charge to perform an evaluative analysis of the plan proposed by the Provost to reduce faculty summer compensation and will report its findings to ECS/UAS.</p> <p>b) The Chair reported that, in response to one of the objectives of the 2010-2015 strategic plan, the UAS standing committee chairs and ex-officio members will be surveyed for feedback on their roles and responsibilities, charges, and other activities. Results will be presented to ECS after the data has been analyzed.</p>	
4. Report of Provost	a) Provost Davis reported that an article was published in <u>The Grand Rapids Press</u> regarding summer salary compensation.	
5. Report from the Student Senate President	<p>a) Student Senate President Martus reported that the final Student Senate meeting was held.</p> <p>Provost Davis thanked Mr. Martus for his leadership on Student Senate over the past year.</p>	
6. Report from the Standing Committee Chairs / Task Force	<p>a) Dan Vaughn, APSC Chair, presented an overview of the Academic Integrity Recommendations material that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the report of from the APSC and refer it back for the APSC, Student Senate, Dean of Students Office and the University</p>	<b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the report from the APSC and refers it back to the APSC, Student

	<p>Counsel to further develop the recommendations noted in the report, and at this meeting.</p> <p>b) Nancy Giardina, Assistant Vice Provost Academic Affairs, distributed additional Remedial Level Course Analysis material. She noted that the APSC concluded that the data did not provide compelling evidence to stop offering the courses, and further reported that this information will be included on the agenda at a meeting of the advising center directors. Discussion.</p> <p>c) Chair Mullendore presented an overview of the Referendum Policy Task Force material that was distributed at this meeting, and clarified that no changes are being recommended except for formalizing the method used to remove the Student Senate participation in any Referendum procedures to support the changes already proposed by the Student Senate. It was not the University Counsel has some concerns with that Student Senate proposal. The Student Senate President noted that a continued discussion of these proposed changes could be incorporated into the discussion of revising its Constitution already on the Student Senate agenda for the upcoming year. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the report from the Referendum Policy Task Force.</p> <p>d) Chair Mullendore presented an update on 2011-12 ECS/UAS Leadership Nominations. She reported that Cory DiCarlo and Figen Mekik both expressed interest in the Vice Chair position. Chair Mullendore offered her assistance to whoever is elected to serve in either role. A recommendation was made to have each candidate provide a written statement regarding their qualifications and why they would like to serve before the vote is held on April 22. A suggestion was made for ECS to consider in the future whether unit heads and department chairs should remain</p>	<p>Senate, Dean of Students Office and the University Counsel to further develop the recommendations noted in the report, and at this meeting. <b>APPROVED Unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the report from the Referendum Policy Task Force. <b>APPROVED with 1 Nay Vote</b></p>	
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	eligible to serve on ECS, since those commitments limit whom among the ECS membership may be able to serve in a leadership position.		
7. New Business	None		
8. Old Business	None		
9. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.		