

# Grand Valley State University University Academic Senate Minutes of July 17, 2020 Meeting

- Present:** Majd Al-Mallah, Christine Beaudoin, Yatin Bhagwat, Matthew Boelkins, Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Adrian Copeland, Tara Cornelius, Alisha Davis, Nancy DeFrance, Brian Deyo, Shirley Fleischmann, John Gabrosek, Gary Greer, Christopher Haven, Barbara Hooper, Dave Huizen, Naoki Kanaboshi, Courtney Karasinski, Salvador Lopez-Arias, Hazel McClure, Amy McFarland, Marie McKendall, Jared Moore, Oindrila Mukerjee, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Tonya Parker, Charles Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Karyn Rabourn, Wil Rankinen, Kathryn Remlinger, Dawn Richiert, Mary Bower Russa, Georgette Sass, Anne Sergeant, Patrick Shan, Ashley Shannon, Melanie Shell-Weiss, Paul Sicilian, Kevin Strychar, Agnieszka Szarecka, Melissa Tallman, Joshua Veazey, Jody Vogelzang, Adrienne Wallace, Jeff Ward, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Andrew Wilson
- Absent:** Eric-John Szczepaniak (Student Senate President)
- Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Diana Lawson, Paul Plotkowski, Chris Plouff, Mark Schaub, Ellen Schendel
- Guests:** Karen Gipson, Denise Goersich, Patrick Johnson, Laurence Jose, Brian Kipp, Sean Lancaster, Bill Morison, Justin Pettibone, Christopher Shaffer, Megan Woller-Skar

The meeting was called to order at 3:02pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of July 17, 2020 was reviewed.	The Agenda of July 17, 2020 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The minutes of May 15, 2020 were reviewed.	The Minutes of May 15, 2020 were approved.
3. Report from the Chair	Chair Ngassa reported on the work of ECS since May and updated the meeting schedule.	
4. Report from the Provost	Provost Cimitile reported on the work surrounding COVID19 precautions and preparations for the fall and updated enrollment data. Multiple questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate President	No report from Student Senate	
6. New Business	<p>a. Chair Ngassa provided an overview of President Mantella’s response memo on the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee (FSBC) COVID-19 recommendations. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> that the memo of July 9, 2020 from President Mantella be available on the Senate website and the chair indicate to faculty that it is available.</p> <p>b. Marie McKendall provided an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendation on COVID-19 temporary personnel policies that was distributed earlier. Discussion with</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate requests that the memo of July 9, 2020 from President Mantella be available on the Senate website and the chair indicate to faculty that it is available. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on COVID-19</p>

	<p>questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on COVID-19 temporary personnel policies, as amended at the meeting, was voted on.</p> <p>c. Marie McKendall provided an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendation on guidelines for remote personnel meetings that was distributed earlier. During discussion, it was agreed that this would be used as a pilot year to inform a charge to FPPC for consideration of a revision to current policy.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate to support the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on guidelines for remote personnel meetings policies was voted on.</p> <p>d. Felix Ngassa led discussion and assessment of GVSU Face Covering Policy and presented a memo addressed to President Mantella for review prior to sending it.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made, seconded and approved</u> by consensus to extend the meeting for twenty minutes.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to endorse the letter as written to the president and distribute to faculty.</p> <p>During Open Comments, FPPC was lauded for all their work on behalf of the faculty, as were all the standing committees who having been working over the summer. It was also noted that Campus Climate Survey results to be on ECS agenda next week, and the Campus Safety Pulse survey; an additional Town Hall is scheduled for next week related to safety on campus. Concerns were raised related to non-compliance with masks on campus/in class; collaboration efforts continue with experts to address safety.</p>	<p>temporary personnel policies, as amended at the meeting.  <b>APPROVED 41 Yes; 2 No; 2 Abstain</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on guidelines for remote personnel meetings policies.  <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate endorse the letter as written to the president and distribute to faculty.  <b>APPROVED 40 Yes; 0 No; 2 Abstain</b></p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:14pm	