

Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of October 4, 2013

Present: Scott Berlin, Ricky Benavidez (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Kurt Fanning (for Yatin Bhagwat), Bob Frey, Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Jon Jellema (ex officio), Brian Lakey, Douglas Montagna, Jag Nandigam, Felix Ngassa, Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Lynn Sheehan, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Guests: Helen Klein (Chair, FFPAC)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm. Scott Berlin was welcomed as a new member replacing Cary Countryman.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions	
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of October 4, 2013 was reviewed.	The Agenda was amended to postpone item 6.b. and move 6.d to that place.	
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of September 20, 2013 were reviewed	The Minutes of September 20, 2013 were approved.	
3. Report from Chair	<p>The Chair reported that the Ombuds task force has 19 participants and will be co-chaired by Gretchen Galbraith and Bob Frey. The Civil Conduct (formerly Bullying Policy) task force chair is Neal Rogness; a request to expand the scope of representation to include staff and students was received, and by consensus approved.</p> <p>Vice Chair Parker reported on the New Programs Council meeting.</p> <p>The Faculty Fora dates are tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 25 at 11am in Allendale and Tuesday, October 29 at 2pm in Grand Rapids.</p> <p>The Chair presented an update of curricular proposals in the queue and identified upcoming events.</p>		
4. Report from Provost	<p>No Report.</p> <p>Jon Jellema thanked Karen Gipson for her efforts on increasing mentoring on campus.</p>		
5. Report from Student Senate	<p>Student Senate President Benavidez reported that efforts are underway for increasing the Laker for a Lifetime initiative and student philanthropy.</p> <p>He further reported that the Student Senate passed a resolution on graduate student representation and will be presented at a future meeting, and will supersede the current resolution distributed to the Faculty Senate.</p>		

6. New Business	<p>a. Helen Klein presented an overview of the scope of FFPAC committee work. Discussion.</p> <p>b. Lynn Sheehan presented an overview of the ULFA Guidelines that were distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>c. There was discussion of the Faculty Forum, with the dates of Friday, October 25 at 11:00am in Allendale.TBD and Tuesday,October 29 at 2:00pm in Grand Rapids TBD. Comments were received from the floor, and the discussion included a decision to limit these fora to the topic of meaningful service.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the recommended changes to the University Libraries guidelines to faculty personnel review, and forwards the matter to UAS with a recommendation to approve.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously.</p>	
7. Open Comment			
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:43pm		