

Grand Valley State University  
Executive Committee of the Senate Meeting  
**Minutes of October 6, 2023**

**Present:** Yatin Bhagwat, Amy Campbell, Rachel Campbell, Brian Lakey (for Tara Cornelius), Chris Cruz (for Anne Sergeant), Susan Harrington, Courtney Karasinski (Vice Chair), Salvador Lopez-Arias, Hazel McClure, Amy McFarland, Jared Moore, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Quinten Proctor (Student Senate President), Karyn Rabourn, Robert Talbert, Deana Weibel

**Absent:**

**Ex Officio:** Fatma Mili, Ed Aboufadel, Bonnie Bowen, Erica Hamilton, Christine Rener

**Guests:** Andy Beachnau; Jennifer Cymbola; Bob Hollister; Ji (Miracle) Qi; Kathryn Stieler

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

| <b>Agenda Items</b>    | <b>Discussion</b>  | <b>Action / Decision</b>   |
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| 1. Approval of Agenda  | The Agenda of October 6, 2023, was reviewed.   | The Agenda of October 6, 2023, was approved.                             |
| 2. Approval of Minutes | The Minutes of ECS Meeting of September 15, 2023, were reviewed.   | The Minutes of ECS Regular Meeting of September 15, 2023, were approved. |
| 3. Report from Chair   | Chair Ngassa reported that Chasity Bailey-Fakhoury has been appointed EIC chair for one year.<br>He also reported on the Faculty Forums scheduled for Monday, October 9 and Tuesday, October 10, and noted that so far Monday has 67 registrants with Tuesday at 56.<br>Chair Ngassa reminded senators that each College must decide if the Dean or designee will attend as ex-officio, non-voting member of the College Personnel Committee and the results of the decision shall be reported to the Chair of the University Academic Senate.<br>To date, several colleges have not reported on this.<br>There was a reminder of the Teach-In scheduled for November 8 and 9. The upcoming calendar and agenda items were shared. |  |
| 4. Report from Provost | Provost Mili reported that she has been reviewing the survey responses from the Town Halls and that she attended the undergraduate faculty fair and the MIT annual event on Climate, and a retention meeting to identify what are we doing or should we be doing to support students.  |  |

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|                               | <p>She further reported she has a Michigan ACE Fellow who will be shadowing her.</p> <p>Questions addressed from the floor.</p>   |   |
| 5. Report from Student Senate | <p>Student Senate President Proctor reported that he is working on appointing student senators to open university committee seats over the next week or two. Student Senate approved a statement saying that they will collect student feedback regarding a locked classroom policy and an active shooter training video requirement for students, before we officially take a stance on these issues later in the school year.</p>   |   |
| 6. New Business               | <p>a. AVP Andy Beachnau presented an update on the Campus Life Committee and recommends that it is disbanded. Questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>b. Miracle Qi presented an overview of the LIFT-MC Recommendation on LIFT Student Perception Data Report that was distributed earlier. Lengthy discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the LIFT-MC's report, "Recommendations on LIFT Student Perception Data." ECS notes and values the difficult work involved in creating this report. The report engendered much discussion at ECS and ECS resolves to continue to study the issues raised in this report. ECS will create a Task Force to compile the various memos and reports that have addressed this issue and to synthesize their findings in its report at the summer retreat and suggest potential policy revisions.</p> | <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the LIFT-MC's report, "Recommendations on LIFT Student Perception Data." ECS notes and values the difficult work involved in creating this report. The report engendered much discussion at ECS and ECS resolves to continue to study the issues raised in this report. ECS will create a Task Force to compile the various memos and reports that have addressed this issue and to synthesis their findings in its report at the summer retreat and suggest potential policy revisions.<br/> <b>APPROVED - 14 YES; 0 NO; 2 Abstain</b></p> |

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|             | <p>c. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the FSBC Recommendations on Updating Faculty Governance Committee Structure that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.</p> <p>Discussion continued.</p> <p>Since there remaining items to be considered, the ECS will meet virtually on October 20, 2023</p> <p>d. Recommendations from the Workload and Significant Focus Task Force – No Discussion</p> <p>e. No Discussion - CHP Recommendation on CHP CPC Representation – No Discussion.</p> <p>f. No Discussion - the OEMC Recommendations Program Modality Definition</p> <p>g. No Discussion -- Consent Agenda Adoption for UAS</p> <p>h. No Discussion -- Preparation for the Faculty Forums on October 9 and October 10</p> |  |
| Adjournment | The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm  |  |