## **Grand Valley State University**

## Executive Committee of the Senate Minutes of December 6, 2013

Present: Ricky Benavidez (Student Senate President), Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Maria Cimitile (ex officio), Gayle Davis

(ex officio), Karen Gipson (Chair), Meri Goehring, Brian Lakey, Douglas Montagna, Harvey Nikkel, Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Chuck Pazdernik,

Lynn Sheehan, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Guests: Jeanne Arnold (Vice President for Inclusion and Equity); Kyle Felker (Chair, FTLCAC), Marie McKendall (Chair, FPPC), Paul Plotkowski

(Dean, Padnos College of Engineering and Computing), Mark Schaub (Director, Padnos International Center), Ellen Schendel (Associate

Dean, Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies), Gary Stark (Assistant Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items		Discussion	Action / Decisions
1.	Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of December 6, 2013 was reviewed.	The Agenda of December 6, 2013 was approved.
2.	Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of November 15, 2013 were reviewed.	The Minutes of November 15, 2013 were approved.
3.	Report from Chair	The Chair reported on the upcoming agenda and calendar items.	
4.	Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported that the interviews for dean of the Seidman College of Business interviews have ended and further reported that she and her team will make a selection in the near future.  Provost Davis also reported that she met with the RD group and began discussion on sabbatical ranking. Additional information will be presented at a later time.	
5.	Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Benavidez reported that commencement is tomorrow.  He also reported that the Student Senate will send a letter of support for Global Studies, and a letter to the Lanthorn regarding the recent article on donors and naming of rooms.  Two resolutions were passed at Student Senate including support for gender neutral restrooms and also for an expansion of The Rapid bus route to include other apartment complexes in Allendale.	

	Mark Schaub, Director of Padnos International Center, presented an overview of financial aid implications for study abroad programs. The Chair will work with Michelle Rhodes to create an email for distribution to faculty and advising centers.	
6. Old Business	a. The Chair presented an overview of the Faculty Fora on meaningful service that was distributed earlier. Discussion.	
	b. The Chair presented an overview of the Town Hall meeting on SETs that was distributed earlier, and gave an overview of the meeting held today. She also announced the date of the next scheduled meeting (Thursday, January 9, 2014 4-6pm in CHS 123).	It was agreed by general consensus that additional Town Hall meetings will be held Tuesday, January 7 in Allendale in the morning and Friday, January 10 at DeVos Center from 1-3pm.

	Business

- a. Jeanne Arnold presented an overview of the personnel procedure representative material distributed earlier and identified concerns raised from ECS members, including
  - training for unit head (and how it would add to their time)
  - possible conflict between PPR and unit heads over disagreements in personnel meetings, and
  - possible duplication of training with Inclusion Advocate

A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to refer this back to FPPC with a charge to review and report back and add consideration on how this could be actionable.

b. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Partner Accommodation memo that was distributed earlier. Discussion.

<u>A motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FPPC recommendation on Partner Accommodation as amended at this meeting.

c. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty in Administrative Roles material that was distributed earlier. Discussion.

**MOTION:** The Executive Committee of the Senate refers the Personnel Procedure Representative material back to FPPC with a charge to review and report back to ECS, and include consideration on how this could be actionable.

## **APPROVED Unanimously**

**MOTION:** The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FPPC recommendation on Partner Accommodation as amended at this meeting.

## **APPROVED Unanimously**

		A motion was made and seconded to extend conversation for 10	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the
		minutes.	Senate extends the meeting to continue
			discussion for 10 minutes.
		Discussion continued.	APPROVED
		A motion was made and seconded to table further discussion until the	MOTION. The Evecutive Committee of the
		A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to table further discussion until the next meeting.	<b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate tables further discussion to the next
		next meeting.	meeting.
			APPROVED
8	. Open Comment	None	
9	. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:20pm	