

Detailed ECS Notes from 09/09/2022

Report from the Chair

- *On Standing Committee Charges for the 2022-2023 Academic Year:* Charges from ECS were sent to the Standing Committee Chairs.
- *On Fireside Chat on Designing Education for the Future and Becoming a Student-ready University with Tia Brown:* This is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, from 11:00am-1:00 pm, at the Alumni House on the Allendale Campus.
- *On National Voter Registration Day Hosted by GVSU Votes:* National Voter Registration Day is Tuesday, September 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- *On the Faculty Dining in the Allendale Campus:* The Laker Club to be located next to Fresh Food will be opened soon. Lunch will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., while complimentary beverages and light snacks will be available after the lunch timeframe.
- *On the Intellectual Property Taskforce:* Nominations for the Intellectual Property Taskforce should be sent to Chair Ngassa (ngassaf@gvsu.edu).
- *On the Next ECS Meeting of September 16:* The September 16 ECS meeting will be a face-to-face meeting. The agenda contains the following items: 2022 EIC Report on Diversity of Faculty, Staff, and Students; LIFT-MC Membership Selection; Discussion with the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution About Processes; Discussion of Staff Departures Across the University; EIC Memo on Documenting Relationships; FFPAC Memo on Power and Electricity Access in Classrooms; and Review of GVSU Tuition Models.

Report from the Provost

- *On Forums:* Information on upcoming forums was sent in an email and also in this week's Lakers Ready Newsletter.
- *EAB Workshop:* Provost Mili attended an EAB workshop on using data for student success.
- *On the Laker Line:* The Laker Line monitors usage each fall and will adjust schedules as necessary. There is currently a shortage of drivers.
- *On COVID Vaccine Clinics:* A COVID vaccine clinic was held on September 9. Another COVID vaccine clinic will be held on October 15 from noon-5pm.

Report from the Student Senate President

- *On New Senators:* 10 potential new student senators have been interviewed.
- *On VP for Campus Affairs:* The new VP for Campus Affairs is Bianca Munoz.
- *On VP for Educational Affairs:* This position is currently vacant.

New Business

- *Institutional Data Management Policy:* Vicki Thelen from IT discussed the work that was conducted over the summer on institutional data management. This policy will create a data strategy and update data architecture. It will formalize who owns data. A separate policy will be created for research data. The taskforce will address questions about materials created for teaching. The Provost expressed a preference for a narrow definition of data.
- *Inclusive Approaches to Faculty Mentoring:* Felix Ngassa, Sherril Soman, and Christine Renner are co-leads for the Faculty Mentoring Implementation Team that was developed from the Network of Advisors for Racial Equity. They are looking to expand mentoring opportunities for faculty. They

are looking at current policies and practices, collating resources, increasing visibility and transparency of what is being done and policies, evaluating current mentoring programs and opportunities, investigating workload practices for mentors and mentees. They are focusing on differentiated approaches, recognizing that there are different needs depending on stage of career and experience. They aim to empower faculty. Mentoring programs will be evaluated for success, inclusivity, visibility, clarity, and workload implications.

- *Laker Impression of Faculty Teaching Management Committee (LIFT-MC) Report on Bias*: LIFT-MC was charged with looking at the potential for bias in LIFT based on data from other student evaluation of data surveys. The committee examined whether or not questions in LIFT actually correspond to questions of teaching effectiveness, and found that they did not. The LIFT-MC will look beyond GVSU data to make specific recommendations to ECS, which will be forwarded to FPPC if supported for the drafting of policy language.
- *Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) Report on Second Year of Two-Year Microcredential Process*: There was discussion on the progress report from OEMC. OEMC was asked if the efficacy of the badge programs has been assessed. It has not, but OEMC could be charged to track this. A question was asked about the division of responsibilities between OEMC and the University Curriculum Committee (UCC). A representative from UCC also sits on OEMC, and ensuring that the correct committee(s) review(s) proposals is part of the role of AVP Erica Hamilton in the Provost's Office. Historically, OEMC and UCC have worked well together.
- *University Assessment Committee (UAC) Report on Program Review Reportage*: Assessment is needed for information about student learning and engagement in co-curricular activities. Assessment can provide evidence for the need to request resources to promote student success. HLC requires assessment. UAC is looking at making changes for the following reasons. The current system does not have a clear path for retiring things. Externally accredited programs have to duplicate their assessment work with reportage to both GVSU's system and the system of accrediting bodies. UAC wants their feedback to be helpful for programs and want it to be easy for deans, ADs, and co-curricular leads to be able to easily act. UAC proposes a PADC framework for assessment: Plan, Act, Do, Check. This framework allows for a more natural progression than planning everything in advance and encourages responsive reflection.