Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of October 11, 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), Joe Godwin (ex officio), Brian Lakey, Bob Frey (for Nancy Levenburg), Avis Hewitt (for Doug Montagna), Jag Nandigam, Felix Ngassa, Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Donijo Robbins, Lynn Sheehan, Joy Washburn, Kathryn Remlinger (for Deana Weibel), Randy Wyble (for Meri Goehring)

Guests: Kyle Felker (FTLCAC Chair), Bob Hollister (FSBC Chair), Paul Jabaay (Graduate Student Association President), Mark Luttenton (Graduate Council), Jeffrey Potteiger (Graduate Dean), Christine Rener (Faculty Teaching and Learning Center), John Stevenson (Graduate Studies)

The meeting was called to order at 3: 00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions	
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of October 11, 2013 was reviewed.	The Agenda was approved.	
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 4, 2013 were reviewed	The Minutes of October 4, 2013 were approved.	
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on the two Faculty Fora scheduled for October 25 and October 29, and further reported on upcoming agenda items.		
4. Report from Provost	No Report		
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Benavidez reported that the first Founders Day event was held earlier this week. Initiatives are also underway to increase Interfaith areas on campus.		
6. New Business	a. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Annual Salary Adjustment memo that was distributed earlier. Discussion. <u>A Motion was made and seconded</u> to forward the Annual Salary Adjustment to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support. b. The Resolution from the Student Senate regarding Graduate Student Representation on Standing Committees that was distributed earlier was discussed.	**MOTION:** The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the Annual Salary Adjustment to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support. **APPROVED Unanimously.** **MOTION:** The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the proposed language changes regarding Graduate Student Representation on Standing Committees to	

	A motion was made and seconded that the proposed language changes be forwarded to UAS and recommended for adoption into the Faculty Handbook. c. Kyle Felker presented an overview of the APSC recommendation to use IDEA as a Student Evaluation and Perception of teaching tool that was distributed earlier. Brian Lakey presented an argument against the use of IDEA as a tool to measure student evaluation and perception of teaching. Discussion. A motion was made and seconded that "The university should adopt a standardized measure of student evaluations of faculty teaching that meets contemporary standard for reliability and validity in educational and psychological measurement. The measure should yield both quantitative and qualitative results. The university should also adopt a standardized platform for administration of the measure (e.g. online software). The measure and platform should be used in all units and colleges. Units and colleges should have the right to add additional questions to the standardized measure, and to use additional platforms in addition to the chosen platform." **Motion and second to TABLE the motion YES 9; NO 4**	the University Academic Senate and recommends adoption into the Faculty Handbook. **APPROVED with 8 YES; 5 NO**	
7. Open Comment	No Comments		
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:58		