

Grand Valley State University

Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of March 16, 2018

Present: Christina Beaudoin (for Tonya Parker), Yatin Bhagwat, Jon Bowman (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Claudia Leiras, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Samhita Rhodes, Georgette Sass, Paul Sicilian (for Kurt Fanning), Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Absent: Brian Lakey

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Bonnie Bowen, Ellen Schendel

Guests: Pat Bloem, Brian Copeland, Gabriele Gottlieb, Carol “Griff” Griffin, Marie McKendall, Scott Richardson, Mark Schaub, Bob Schoofs, Elena Selezneva

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 16, 2018 was reviewed.	The Agenda of March 16, 2018 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of February 16, 2018 were reviewed.	The Minutes of February 16, 2018 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on various announcements and updates. He further reported that he was invited to attend a University Summit for Faculty Senate Chairs on April 7 in Ann Arbor. He presented the proposed schedule and upcoming agenda items and noted that the last two meeting will be held at 124 Kennedy Hall. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported that opportunities are available for accessibility training. She further reported that initial interviews for the Vice President for Student Affairs were conducted; President Search Committee members have not been selected at this time. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Bowman reported that Student Senate is working on elections for next year with student packets due Monday, March 19 at 5pm. He further reported on other resolutions and initiatives including the Laker Childrens fund and a student survey to gauge student engagement/involvement.	
6. New Business	a. Scott Richardson and Brian Copeland distributed material related to the	

	<p>budget and presented highlights. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p> <p>b. Bob Schoofs presented an overview on the International Education Committee recommendation to claim Study Abroad Directing as an area of significant focus on Faculty Activity Plans and Faculty Activity Reports that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to return this recommendation back to committee for further clarification and additional guidelines for unit heads or deans to consider.</p> <p>c. Gabrielle Gottlieb presented an overview of the General Education Committee (GEC) recommendation on GEC Faculty Handbook Language that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to table further discussion on the General Education Committee until the next meeting.</p> <p>d. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on Scholarship that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>By consensus, it was agreed to extend the meeting for five minutes.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the proposal from the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on Scholarship in principle with the contingency that the issues raised by the University Libraries are reconciled by March 29.</p> <p>Felix Ngassa presented a brief overview of the minor edits requested by BCOIS to their Bylaws for the Personnel Committee and Curriculum Committee Membership that was distributed earlier.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate returns this recommendation back to committee for further clarification and additional guidelines for unit heads or deans to consider. APPROVED with 1 Abstention</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate tables further discussion on the General Education Committee recommendation until the next meeting. APPROVED with 1 No</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the proposal from the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on Scholarship in principle with the contingency that the issues raised by the University Libraries are reconciled by March 29. APPROVED with 9 Yes 5 No</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm	

