

Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of March 24, 2017

Present: Jonathan Bowman (for Ella Fritzemeier, Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma, Danielle DeMuth (for Wendy Burns-Ardolino), Karen Gipson (Chair), Jon Hodge, Nancy Levenburg, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Beth Martin (for Mary O’Kelly), Felix Ngassa (Vice Chair), Sean O’Melia (Student Senate), Tonya Parker, Samhita Rhodes, Jim Sanford, Laura Stroik (for Melissa Tallman), Dan Vaughn, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Absent:

Ex Officio: Gayle Davis, Maria Cimitile, Kathy Gulembo

Guests: Jim Bachmeier, Marie McKendall

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 24, 2017 was reviewed.	The Agenda of March 24, 2017 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of March 17, 2017 were reviewed.	The Minutes of March 17, 2017 were approved, as corrected.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that elections for the leadership team will be held on April 21, and announced the upcoming schedule and agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis announced that there is no news to report on the budget. She addressed questions raised from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Johnathan Bowman reported on behalf of Student Senate President Fritzemeier. He reported that Student Senate elections begin on Monday, and announced that two resolutions were approved at their last meeting, and further reported that several initiatives will be addressed in the near future.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Karen Gipson presented an overview of the Sabbatical language regarding Fulbright Awards that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the changes to Sabbatical language as presented at the meeting and forward to the</p>	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the changes to Sabbatical language as presented at the meeting and forwards to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.

	<p>University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>b. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee memo regarding Sabbatical voting language that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the changes to Sabbatical voting language, and forward to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>c. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee memo regarding Service recommendations that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to reword a sentence in the memo to “Faculty members are expected to undertake increasingly responsible service work over the course of their careers”.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Service Recommendations presented and forward to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>d. Jim Bachmeier discussed the various initiatives that he has been involved in since transitioning to Vice President for Strategic Initiatives, and addressed questions raised from the floor on general interest items and specific topics he mentioned.</p>	<p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the changes to Sabbatical voting language, and forwards to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports rewording a sentence in the memo to “Faculty members are expected to undertake increasingly responsible service work over the course of their careers”.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Service Recommendations presented and forward to the University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:56pm	

