

Grand Valley State University  
Executive Committee of the Senate Special Meeting  
Minutes of May 27, 2021

- Present:** Susan Harrington, Chris Haven, Courtney Karasinski (Vice Chair), Salvador Lopez-Arias, Amy McFarland, Jared Moore, Autumn Mueller (Student Senate President), Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Karyn Rabourn, Anne Sergeant, Agnieszka Szarecka, Robert Talbert, Lissa Tallman
- Absent:** Yatin Bhagwat, Tara Cornelius
- Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Suzeanne Benet, Ellen Schendel
- Guests:** Jesse Bernal, Erica Hamilton; Kathleen VanderVeen

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of May 27, 2021 was reviewed.	The Agenda of May 27, 2021 was approved as amended adding 6e.
2. Recap of Retreat #1	The Chair presented an overview of the "Recap of Retreat #1" that was distributed earlier.	
3. Report of the Chair	The Chair reported on the upcoming schedule and agenda items, and announced a name was decided on for the COE/CCPS merger. He further announced that the Vice Chair are meeting with the Standing Committee Chairs over three days in June and reported on the action of the New Program Council that met May 25.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile thanked everyone for their time and reported that the newly merged college will be called "College of Education and Community Innovation" and will be presented to the Board of Trustees in June. She further reported on the enrollment data for summer and fall, and announced a change to the MLK day (with classes cancelled) to an official holiday with campus closed. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Mueller reported that Student Senate is work on the Battle of the Valleys and invites nominees for who the recipient(s) of the funds should be. She also noted that Student Senate is gather members for the university food committee and working on the academic calendar.	
6. New Business	<p>a. VP Jesse Bernal presented an overview of the next iteration of the Climate Study and presented various data. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>b. Chuck Pazdernick presented an overview of the Committee Chair Selection Guidelines (CCSG) Task Force Recommendation # 2 that was distributed earlier. Discussion,with questions addressed from the floor. The Chair will consult with</p>	

	<p>former Standing Committee Chairs for their assistance in this effort, with feedback to be shared at the next meeting.</p> <p>c. Erica Hamilton presented the Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) recommendation on the OEMC membership increase that was distributed earlier</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to forward the Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) recommendation on the OEMC membership increase to UAS with a recommendation to support</p> <p>d. Suzeanne Benet provided a summary of the proposed changes to the Academic Review Committee (ARC) and the creation of a Withdrawal Appeal Committee (WAC). Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor. It was decided that Provost Cimitile and AVP Benet will confer and bring back information at the next meeting.</p> <p>The was additional discussion on students wanting to receive CLEP credit for lower level classes after upper level credit had already been received, but not having any university policy addressing that. Several examples of language were presented and discussed.</p> <p>A motion was made and seconded to endorse the changes on CLEP credit as presented.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made, seconded, and agreed by consensus</u> to extend the meeting for an additional 30 minutes.</p> <p>e. AVP Aboufadel presented an update from the Virus Action Team, and presented information on the focus groups. Discussion ensued regarding a variety of topics including: the feasibility of mandatory vaccinations, obligation to wear masks, how to incentivize faculty/students/staff to get a vaccine.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made, seconded and agreed by consensus</u> to extend the meeting for an additional 10 minutes.</p> <p>Discussion continued, with a recommendation to craft a taskforce to review data, and help develop strategy for fall. The Chair will send a survey to ECS members</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) recommendation on the OEMC membership increase to UAS with a recommendation to support.  <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate endorse the changes on CLEP credit as presented.  <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
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	regarding their comfort level returning to campus and ask for volunteers to serve on the proposed task force, which will include an epidemiologist.  Next meeting is scheduled for June 17	
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:44pm	