

Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate Minutes of September 8, 2015

Present: Yatin Bhagwat, Jonathan Bowman (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Kurt Fanning, Brian Lakey, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Samhita Rhodes, Georgette Sass, Dan Vaughn, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Absent:

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Ellen Schendel

Guests: Aaron Haight, Michael Szdlowski

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of September 8, 2017 was reviewed.	The Agenda of September 8, 2017 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of September 1, 2017 were reviewed.	The Minutes of September 1, 2017 were approved as corrected at the meeting.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported the Shared Professional Development event was held on Wednesday, September 6 and a FTLC event on Freedom of Speech will be held on September 20. Town hall dates with Provost Cimitile were announced and presented the schedule for September and upcoming agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported that her thoughts for the upcoming year will be posted online. She reported the enrollment for fall, 2017 was 25,049. Discussion ensued regarding enrollment for sub groups of students. Working groups of faculty/staff are being created to identify ways to support students in as many ways as possible. Suggestions can be sent to Provost Cimitile. Questions were addressed from the floor. Ed Aboufadel reported on the Inclusive Hiring Practices Symposium scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 and encouraged faculty to attend as their schedule allows. Provost Cimitile also reported that VP Bernal will be meeting with students concerned about the changes to DACA.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Bowman reported that they are interviewing applicants for open student senate seats. He further reported on the Laker	

	Leadership Council and read the Student Senate support statement on DACA.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Aaron Haight and Michael Szdlowski presented an overview of the Student Code Conduct Report data and answered questions raised from the floor.</p> <p>b. The Chair presented an overview of the creation of the LIFT Management Committee and the recommendations from the Uplift taskforce that were distributed earlier. During discussion, amendments were made to the composition of the committee and qualifications of members and item (e) was stricken in the committee purpose. Senators were asked to think of possible members of the Committee and send names to the ECS Chair.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to adopt the changes presented and support the creation of the LIFT Management Committee.</p> <p>c. Possible Taskforces or Working Groups for 2017-18 were discussed, including</p> <p>i. University-wide Discussion of School vs Department to determine: criteria for a Department vs a School; compare the practice in peer institutions and other institutions; GVSU policy for creation of a School and Department. Possible membership was discussed to include Tonya Parker (Chair), Samhita Rhodes, Salvadore Lopez-Arias, Kim Roberts, Chris Plouff</p> <p>Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the work of the Affiliate Faculty Advisory Committee and their recommendations, and further identified areas for the Affiliate Faculty category that need policy(s) crafted for clarity. Additional updates will be presented at a later date.</p> <p>He further reported that a working group has been established to review the Policy website.</p> <p>d. Presentations to Request in 2017-18 were identified, as well as tentative dates of those presentations to ECS/UAS.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports adopting the changes presented and supports the creation of the LIFT Management Committee.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>

	e. No Discussion or Review of Memo on Affiliate Faculty. f. No Discussion or Review of Memo on ABD Faculty. g. No Discussion or Review of Memo on UAS Representation.	
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:01pm	