

Grand Valley State University
Executive Committee of the Senate
September 11 , 2020

Online: Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Tara Cornelius, Chris Haven, Courtney Karasinski, Salvador Lopez-Arias, Jared Moore, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Kathryn Remlinger, Georgette Sass, Anne Sergeant, , Melanie Shell-Weiss, Agnieszka Szarecka, Eric-John Szczepaniak (Student Senate President), Joy Washburn

Absent:

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Suzeanne Benet

Guests: Krista Benson (Brooks College Representative to FFPAC); Andrea Bostrom (Chair of GC); Julie Henderleiter (Chair of UAC); Hannah Seidel (Chair of FFPAC).

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of September 11, 2020 was reviewed	The Agenda of September 11, 2020 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of September 4, 2020 were reviewed.	The Minutes of September 4, 2020 were approved as amended.
3. Report from Chair	Chair Ngassa reported on the faculty representation to the OEMC which will be confirmed at UAS. He reported on the proposed schedule and upcoming agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported on the census figures for AY 2020-21 which shows a 2.8% overall decline from the previous year; however, graduate enrollment has increased 20.1%. Additional information can be found on the Institutional Analysis website. To address other COVID concerns received around testing, dining, and adequate quarantine space/beds, Provost Cimitile shared updates on each area. She further reported that the Ombuds position is going forward. Multiple questions were addressed from the floor. Ed Aboufadel reported on specific Virus Action Team (VAT) data, testing results, new positive cases and on various behind-the-scenes activities. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Szczepaniak reported on upcoming initiatives in Student Senate including securing a satellite office for voting. He also announced that Student Senate meetings will be conducted online for the remainder of the academic year.	
6. New Business	a. Hannah Seidel presented an overview of the FFPAC recommendation on expectant mother parking that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions	MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on

	<p>addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendation on expectant mother parking and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>b. Andrea Bostrom presented an overview of the Graduate Council recommendation on Graduate Assistant Funding that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the report of the Graduate Council recommendation on Graduate Assistant Funding as submitted with the caveat to review at the ECS retreat in 2021.</p> <p>c. Julie Henderleiter presented an overview of the UAC recommendation on the proposed changes to UAC Bylaws and Chair Election Process that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the UAC recommendation on the proposed changes to UAC Bylaws and Chair Election Process and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p>	<p>expectant mother parking and forwards it to UAS with a recommendation to support. APPROVED 15 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstain</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the report of the Graduate Council recommendation on Graduate Assistant Funding as submitted with the caveat to review at the ECS retreat in 2021.. APPROVED 15 Yes; 1 No; 0 Abstain</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the UAC recommendation on the proposed changes to UAC Bylaws and Chair Election Process and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:34pm	