

Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate

Minutes of November 11, 2016

Present: Christine Beaudoin (for Felix Ngassa), Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Salvador Lopez-Arias, Ella Fritzemeier (Student Senate President), Karen Gipson (Chair), Jon Hodge, Nancy Levenburg, George Lundskow, Mary O’Kelly, Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Samhita Rhodes, James Sanford, Dan Vaughn, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

Absent:

Ex Officio: Gayle Davis, Ed Aboufadel, Maria Cimitile

Guests: Tom Butcher, Robert Talbert

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of November 11, 2016 was reviewed.	The Agenda of November 11, 2016 was agenda.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of November 4, 2016 were reviewed.	The Minutes of November 4, 2016 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported on the Town Hall meetings scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2016. She also reported that there is still time to submit proposals for the Teach-In on January 19, 2016. There will be a brief ECS meeting next week to review the 20-Credit rule proposal by APSC; a room will be reserved for downtown so that ECS members may attend the Wheelhouse Talk. The Chair presented an update of proposed agenda items for future meetings.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis reported that her office is fielding questions and comments dealing with the presidential election results. She is appreciative of the support being given to those who are upset. She further reported that materials are being prepared for the UPRC meetings which begin next week. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Fritzemeier reported that a post-election town hall is scheduled for next week. She further reported that over 500	

	<p>students were transported to the Allendale voting location. She also noted that the KCON has done a wonderful job providing support for the students, faculty, and staff in light of the death of a student.</p> <p>She further reported that the Last Lecture is scheduled for November 17 with Paul Cornish and David Leonard as presenters, and provided several updates on various initiatives.</p>	
<p>6. Old Business</p>	<p>a. There was discussion on the possibility of creating a taskforce for LIFT with the name of University Policy on Laker Impression of Faculty Teaching (UPLIFT).</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to create a task force for UPLIFT. Discussion.</p> <p>During discussion, charges for the UPLIFT task force were crafted.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to forward the material developed at the meeting to the task forces as charges.</p> <p>The constitution of the task force was discussed and recommendations made from the floor for who could serve on the task force.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the slate of nominees as presented at the meeting.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the creation of an UPLIFT Taskforce. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate forwards the material developed at the meeting to the task forces as charges for consideration. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the slate of nominees as presented at the meeting. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
<p>7. New Business</p>	<p>a. Philip Batty requested an endorsement to conduct the HERI survey and Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of background of the survey.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support endorsing the HERI survey and forward to UAS with a recommendation of support.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports endorsing the HERI survey and forwards to UAS with a recommendation of support. APPROVED Unanimously</p>

	<p>b. Maria Cimitile presented an overview of the Distance Education material that was distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>c. Karen Gipson presented an overview of committee agenda and minutes language that was distributed earlier. During discussion, proposed language was created for inclusion in the <i>Faculty Handbook</i>.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to add “ The chair of each committee will send the agenda and approved minutes to the Faculty Governance Assistant to be made available in the secure area of the Faculty Governance website” to previous language presented.</p> <p>d. Tom Butcher presented an overview of Anonymous Reporting that was distributed earlier. Discussion. This topic will be on a future agenda</p> <p>e. There was no discussion on the Role of Senate.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports adding “ The chair of each committee will send the agenda and approved minutes to the Faculty Governance Assistant to be made available in the secure area of the Faculty Governance website” to previous language presented.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>
8. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:05PM.	