

Grand Valley State University
Executive Committee of the Senate
Minutes of December 6, 2019

- Present:** Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Courtney Karasinski, Brian Lakey, Jared Moore, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Charles Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Kathryn Remlinger, Georgette Sass, Melanie Shell-Weiss, Eric-John Szczepaniak (Student Senate President), Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel
- Absent:** Yatin Bhagwat, Kurt Fanning, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow
- Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Chris Plouff
- Guests:** Tara Corneilius, Kyle Felker, Kelly Margot, Glenn Valdez

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of December 6, 2019 was reviewed.	The Agenda of December 6, 2019 was approved as amended.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of November 8, 2019 were reviewed.	The Minutes of November 8, 2019 were approved as amended.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that commencement is tomorrow and invites all to attend. He urged everyone to arrive early due to security measures in place. He noted that standing committee mid-year reports are due by Noon on December 13. The upcoming calendar and agenda items were identified.	
4. Report from Provost	Ed Aboufadel reported on behalf of Provost Cimitile that this is the last week of classes and is the first semester with the new exam schedule. He further reported that slight changes to commencement have been made, and that the Hauenstein Center award selection is currently suspended.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Szczepaniak reported that the last Student Senate meeting for the semester was held with QPR (Question Persuade Refer) training. He also reported on the DNR denial of the Grand River Project to dredge the Grand River. He provided data on the higher participation in the Climate Survey and implementation of the MY LAKER mobile app. He provided additional updates on awards to be given at the President's Ball.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Tara Corneilius, along with Kyle Felker, Glenn Valdez and Chris Plouff presented an overview of the CONREP Task Force Final Report that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions were addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the the CONREP Task Force Final Report and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>Senators are asked to think about what futher steps might look like and to begin</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the the CONREP Task Force Final Report and forwards to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>

	<p>formulating motions for consideration at a future meeting.</p> <p>b. Kelly Margot presented an overview of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee on Systems of Reporting that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the FPPAC report recommendation items 1,2 and 4 (deleting #3) and forward the FPPAC Memo on Systems of Reporting to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>Questions were asked about the emergency locks in classrooms. Chair Ngassa will provide an update at a future meeting, and ask that this be included in Noteworthy.</p> <p>c. Chuck Pazdernik presented an overview of the SEBLEV II Memo on Procedures for Requesting Invitations to attend ECS meetings that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the second option of SEBLEV II recommendations on Procedures for Requesting Invitations to attend ECS meetings.</p> <p>d. Felix Ngassa led discussion on the two action plans to address diversity /campus climate that was distributed earlier. Discussion was heard on ways to implement diversity training and whether it should be mandatory, or randomized with certain groups / leaders. Consideration on when the training happens needs to be examined, as well as potentially having the training with students and include interpersonal communication training.</p> <p>A motion to extend the meeting by ten minutes was approved by consensus.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> for ECS to create a task force to address equity, inclusion, and campus climate concerns of faculty. The task force is charged with submitting a report that outlines the problem; communicates the role of faculty in addressing the problem, summarizes current faculty efforts to address equity, inclusion, and campus climate issues; and recommends specific actions steps that faculty can take to further address any identified concerns based on current efforts and their outcomes.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate accepts the FPPAC report recommendation items 1,2 and 4 (deleting #3) and forwards to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the second option of SEBLEV II recommendations on Procedures for Requesting Invitations to attend ECS meetings.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate shall create a task force to address equity, inclusion, and campus climate concerns of faculty. The task force is charged with submitting a report that outlines the problem; communicates the role of faculty in addressing the problem, summarizes current faculty efforts</p>
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	<p>The task force shall be called FaCE In (Faculty Climate, Equity, and Inclusion) Task Force with Shawn Bultsma taking the lead in convening it.</p> <p>e. No discussion on University-level Guidance to Colleges/Units on Assessing Prior Scholarship Work for Faculty Bringing Years Toward Tenure/Promotion in response to new scholarship policy.</p>	<p>to address equity, inclusion, and campus climate issues; and recommends specific actions steps that faculty can take to further address any identified concerns based on current efforts and their outcomes.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:14pm	