

Grand Valley State University  
Executive Committee of the Senate  
**January 22, 2021**

**Online:** Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Tara Cornelius, Kelly Dowker (Student Senate President), 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, Joy Washburn

**Absent:**

**Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Ellen Schendel

**Guests:** Theresa Rowland, Paul Sicilian, Megan Woller-Skar

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of January 22, 2021 was reviewed.	The Agenda of January 22, 2021 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of December 11, 2020 were reviewed.	The Minutes of December 11, 2020 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	Chair Ngassa reported on the upcoming schedule and proposed agenda items, including the Faculty Forums scheduled for February 16 and 17. The theme for the 2020-21 newsletter was identified as "LAKER Tenacity in the Face of COVID-19" with a submission deadline of March 26.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported on preliminary enrollment data and will have additional information after the census. She noted that the revised Cancellation/Closure/Remote Policy is in effect and posted on the Policies website ( <a href="https://www.gvsu.edu/policies/policy.htm?policyId=B650E7B5-F840-E2E6-99F87B5FB025B1D7&amp;search=">https://www.gvsu.edu/policies/policy.htm?policyId=B650E7B5-F840-E2E6-99F87B5FB025B1D7&amp;search=</a> ). Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Dowker reported that MLK events are still underway and asked senators to encourage students to attend.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Ellen Schendel presented an overview of the Program Review Committee material that was distributed earlier, and shared the Faculty Representatives for senate endorsement. A website will be launched with additional information next week.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Program Review Committee material and endorse the Faculty Representatives.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Program Review Committee material and endorse the Faculty Representatives.</p> <p><b>APPROVED 15 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstain</b></p>

	<p>b. Provost Cimitile presented an overview of the program review process and the role of faculty in program review which will be collaborative and transparent. Discussion.</p> <p>c. Paul Sicilian and Megan Woller-Skar led discussion on the LIFT-MC membership recommendations that were distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the LIFT-MC membership recommendations and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>d. Megan Woller-Skar and Paul Sicilian presented an overview of the LIFT-MC Report on Challenge and Engagement Index (CEI) that was distributed earlier. Discussion and questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> that the Challenge and Engagement Index (CEI) and its component measures should not be used to evaluate teaching effectiveness in the course of personnel reviews and forward this to UAS with a recommendation to support. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to refer the LIFT-MC report to FPPC with a charge to consider it in the faculty evaluation procedures with respect to personnel decisions.</p> <p>e. Theresa Rowland presented an overview of the updates to Title IX Regulations that were distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>It was agreed by consensus to extend the meeting by 20 minutes.</p> <p>Discussion continued with questions addressed from the floor.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the LIFT-MC membership recommendations and forwards to UAS with a recommendation to support. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports that the Challenge and Engagement Index (CEI) and its component measures should not be used to evaluate teaching effectiveness in the course of personnel reviews, and forwards this to UAS with a recommendation to support. <b>Motion FAILED</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports referring the LIFT-MC report to FPPC with a charge to consider it in the faculty evaluation procedures with respect to personnel decisions. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:12pm	