

Grand Valley State University Executive Committee of the Senate Minutes of November 3, 2017

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

Absent:

Ex Officio: Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Ellen Schendel

Guests: Robert Adams, Kin Ma, Sherril Soman

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of November 3, 2017 was reviewed	The Agenda of November 3, 2017 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 13, 2017 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 13, 2017 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the Teach-In will be held on November 9, 2017. He presented the schedule and proposed agenda items and reported on the New Programs Council meeting.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported that the Board of Trustees meeting was held and announced the curricular items that were approved and those under review. She also announced that the annual accountability report is available online. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Bowman reported that all senate seats are assigned and the first leadership organization meetings held.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Kin Ma presented a request for Senate Endorsement of MLK Commemoration Week. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to endorse the MLK Commemoration Week, and forward to University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>b. Robert Adams presented an overview of the University Curriculum</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate endorses the MLK Commemoration Week, and forwards it to University Academic Senate with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the</p>

	<p>Committee recommendation on Academic Digital Badges that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to accept the report from University Curriculum Committee on Academic Digital Badges and forward to the University Academic Senate.</p> <p>c. Ed Aboufadel presented an update on the work of the Policies Working Group and showed an overview of the Policies site. Discussion.</p> <p>d. Jonathan Bowman presented an overview of the Student Senate proposal to change the Fall Break Calendar that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A recommendation was made for all senators to take this issue back to their colleges and discuss with their colleagues for continued discussion next week.</p> <p>e. No discussion on Student Senate memo regarding Labor Day Calendar Change.</p> <p>f. No discussion on the role of Senate in Monitoring College Representation on each Standing Committee.</p>	<p>Senate accepts the report from University Curriculum Committee on Academic Digital Badges and forwards to University Academic Senate.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm	