

**Grand Valley State University
Executive Committee of the Senate
Minutes of March 22, 2019**

Present: Yatin Bhagwat, Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Jonathan Hodge, Rachel Jenkin (Student Senate President), Courtney Karasinski, Tara Kneeshaw, Brian Lakey, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Charles Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Samhita Rhodes, Georgette Sass, Melanie Shell-Weiss, Paul Sicilian, Joy Washburn

Absent:

Ex Officio: Marie Cimitile, Suzeanne Benet, Ed Aboufadel, Ellen Schendel

Guests: Mary Bower Russa, Tara Cornelius, Christopher Kurby, Christine Smith, Agnieszka Szarecka, Glenn Valdez

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 22, 2019 was reviewed.	The Agenda of March 22, 2019 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of March 15, 2019 were reviewed.	The Minutes of March 15, 2019 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the election for chair and vice chair will be held on April 19. Submit statements to Lisa by April 12; nominations at the meeting will also be accepted. He further reported on various upcoming events, schedule, and agenda items. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile reported that she has been visiting colleges to discuss budgets and had two "provost conversations" so far, with two more scheduled in April. Ed Aboufadel reminded senators of the presentation on artificial intelligence "Un-Intelligence" and invited all to attend as their schedule allows.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Jenkin reported on resolutions approved, including voting to eliminate the Battle of the Valleys charity contest with Saginaw Valley State University and hold a different type of event in the future. She further reported on initiatives underway. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
6. Old Business	<p>a. Ed Aboufadel presented an overview of the Faculty Handbook Cleanup on Research Policies that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the proposed rearrangement to the Faculty Handbook Cleanup on Research Policies. Furthermore, a new policy in the FH, SG 3.10, will be created that would be a short policy that addresses the use of animals in research or instructional purposes and basically repeats the short passage in PC 6.1.</p> <p>b. Paul Sicilian presented an overview of the LIFT-MC Membership Appointment that was distributed earlier. During discussion it was agreed that ECS</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the proposed rearrangement to the Faculty Handbook Cleanup on Research Policies. Furthermore, a new policy in the FH, SG 3.10, will be created that would be a short policy that addresses the use of animals in research or instructional purposes and basically repeats the short passage in PC 6.1.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>

	representatives will take this back to their colleges to ask if there is interest in serving on the committee.	
7. New Business	<p>a. Tara Cornelius and members of the Psychology department presented an overview of the material that was distributed earlier on Faculty-Student Relationships and answered questions from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> for ECS to initiate a faculty, student, and staff working group to examine this topic, and consensual relationships, and include as a matter for deliberation at the summer retreat.</p> <p>b. Agnieszka Szarecka presented an overview of the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendations on the Health Professions Degree Completion Request that was distributed earlier. Discussion. It was agreed that this matter will be settled in the Office of the Provost.</p> <p>c. The Appendix from the SEBLEV Task Force Final Report that was distributed earlier was discussed. Item #5 was addressed first and will be continued at the next meeting.</p>	<p>MOTION: The Executive Committee of the Senate will initiate a faculty, student, and staff working group to examine this topic, and consensual relationships, and include as a matter for deliberation at the summer retreat.</p> <p>APPROVED Unanimously</p>
8. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:03pm	