

Grand Valley State University  
Executive Committee of the Senate  
Minutes of March 27, 2020

**Online:** Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Courtney Karasinski, Brian Lakey, Salvador Lopez-Arias, George Lundskow, Jared Moore, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Kathryn Remlinger, Georgette Sass, Anne Sergeant, Melanie Shell-Weiss, Paul Sicilian, Eric-John Szczepaniak (Student Senate President), Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel

**Absent:**

**Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Ed Aboufadel, Bonnie Bowen

**Guests:** Philip Batty (Director, Institutional Analysis), (Bob Hollister (Chair of FSBC); Marie McKendall (Chair of FPPC)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm with roll call.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 27, 2020 was reviewed.	The Agenda of March 27, 2020 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of March 20, 2020 were reviewed.	The Minutes of March 20, 2020 were approved.
3. Report from Chair	Chair Ngassa provided updates on COVID-19. He reported on the Faculty Newsletter and the proposed schedule and agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile thanked everyone for their student-focused work moving courses online and reported that VP Loth noted donations of \$32,000 were made to assist with student's experiencing hardship. She reported that FAQ's on final exams will be posted on the Provost Office website, and reiterated that faculty should check in with students to gauge rigor versus workload. Courses during spring semester will be delivered remotely, with the requirement of prior Online Education Council (OEC) approval waived at this time; faculty are urged to get additional training/updates as their schedules allow. Questions were addressed from the floor.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Szczepaniak thanked faculty for their work in connecting with students. He reported that Student FAQ's are on the Provost website. The Credit/No Credit deadline was brought up (March 31) and will be addressed later during this meeting.	
6. New Business	a. Marie McKendall provided an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Emergency Recommendations for Teaching Evaluations, Service, Scholarship, and Tenure Clock that was distributed earlier. Discussion  A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to act on behalf of UAS on this matter and support the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Emergency Recommendations for Teaching Evaluations, Service, Scholarship and Tenure	<b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate acts on behalf of UAS on this matter and supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee Emergency Recommendations for Teaching Evaluations, Service, Scholarship, and Tenure Clock. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b>

	<p>Clock.</p> <p>b. Marie McKendall reported on the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Recommendations on Evaluation of Teaching that was distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Recommendations on Evaluation of Teaching and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support at their April 10 meeting, with distribution as soon as feasible.</p> <p>c. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee (FSBC) Recommendation on Summer Salary that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support using the same process that was used for spring/summer compensation last spring/summer 2019, understanding that FSBC will be considering revisions to the salary recommendations for spring/summer for next year and forwards this to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>d. Discussion resumed on the Credit/No Credit form deadline agreeing that the Office of the Provost will determine the new dates.</p> <p>During Open Comments a question was raised about how the elections will be conducted at the April 17 meeting.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Recommendations on Evaluation of Teaching and forwards to UAS with a recommendation to support at their April 10 meeting, with distribution as soon as feasible. <b>APPROVED with 12 yes; 2 no; 1 abstain</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate recommends that the same process that was used for spring/summer compensation last spring/summer 2019 be used, understanding that FSBC will be considering revisions to the salary recommendations for spring/summer for next year and forwards this to UAS with a recommendation to support. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:57	