

University Academic Senate Executive Committee of the Senate Kristine Mullendore, Chair 2009-10

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Memorandum

TO: Susan Edwards, Chair, Faculty Teaching and Learning Center Advisory Committee

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FROM: Kristine Mullendore, Chair, ECS/UAS

SUBJECT: Agenda for 2009-10

DATE: August 28, 2009

CC: Gayle R. Davis, Provost

ECS Members FTLCAC Members

At its retreat in May the Executive Committee of UAS agreed that we should continue to offer some guidance to the standing committees as they embark upon another academic year. This assistance is intended to support the ongoing work of the members of each committee as they identify and prioritize agenda items for the upcoming academic year.

Attached for your reference is the section from the Faculty Handbook which outlines the regular responsibilities of your standing committee. In attending to these regular duties, ECS would like you, as time permits, to address the following matters in the order below:

- 1. Assist and support Dr. Christine Rener, the new FTLC Director, in her transition to Grand Valley.
- 2. Support the work of the FPPC as it considers the 2008-09 recommendations of the FTLCAC to update the Faculty Handbook language regarding "Effective Teaching" at 4.02.9.1.A.
- 3. Meet with the FTLC staff to set goals for the 2009-10 academic year.
- Assist ECS/UAS and FPPC in considering policy revisions concerning the use of student evaluations of teaching at GVSU based on the FTLCAC report submitted to ECS/UAS and FPPC in 2008-09.
- 5. Support the work of governance in its consideration of the action items in the report submitted by the 2008-09 Academic Integrity Committee as it applies to teaching.

Thanks for all the work you do on this important committee.

g. Pew Faculty Teaching Learning Center Advisory Committee (FTLCAC)

- i. <u>Faculty Membership</u>: Faculty membership of the Pew FTLCAC consists of four members from CLAS, one from each of the remaining colleges, and one from the University Libraries. The term of office is three years beginning at the end of the winter semester. Terms are staggered.
- ii. Student Membership: One student selected by the Student Senate for a term of one year.
- iii. Administration Membership: The Director and Assistant Director of the Pew FTLC ex officio, non-voting.
- iv. <u>Responsibilities</u>: The role of the Advisory Committee is to provide advice on policy, direction and performance of the Pew FTLC. The committee will:
 - a) Serve as a liaison between the GVSU community and the Administrative Staff
 - b) Provide information about faculty development needs.
 - Provide feedback to the Administrative Staff about faculty responses to the Pew FTLC and its activities.
 - d) Develop Pew FTLC policies.
 - e) Review proposed programs and activities for the Pew FTLC.
 - f) Initiate and/or respond to discussions of teaching and learning issues, referring them to appropriate bodies if necessary.
 - g) Establish grant funding priorities, and to establish a sub-committee to review applications for faculty teaching renewal and development grants.
 - h) Annually evaluate the effectiveness of the Pew FTLC's Administrative Staff.
 - i) Annually evaluate the effectiveness of the Pew FTLC's program activities, and report results to ECS/UAS.
 - j) Review annually the physical resource and space needs for the Pew FTLC.
 - k) In the case of a vacancy, assemble a search and selection committee for Pew Administrative Staff.