

Grand Valley State University
University Academic Senate
Minutes of December 10, 2021

- Present:** Majd Al-Mallah, Yatin Bhagwat, Tara Cornelius, David Crane, Jason Crouthamel, Alisha Davis, Nancy DeFrance, Brian Deyo, John Gabrosek, Susan Harrington, Chris Haven, Barbara Hooper, Naoki Kanaboshi, Courtney Karasinski, Sean Lancaster (for Lisa Perhamus), Salvador Lopez-Arias, Leifa Mayers, Amy McFarland, Marie McKendall, Jared Moore, Oindrila Mukherjee, Autumn Mueller (Student Senate President), Felix Ngassa (Chair), Charles Pazdernik, Chris Pearl, Karyn Rouborn, Wil Rankinen, Kathryn Remlinger, Dawn Richiert, Mary Bower Russa, Gayle Schaub, Anne Sergeant, Ashley Shannon, Paul Sicilian, Andrew Spear, Agnieszka Szarecka, Robert Talbert, Lissa Tallman, Josh Veazy, Deana Weibel, Alex Wilson
- Absent:** Arthur Campbell, Adrian Copeland, Scarlet Galvan, Azizur Molla, Wendy Reffeor, Kevin Strychar, Jeff Ward, Mingyu Wu
- Ex Officio:** Chris Plouff, Ed Aboufadel, Sonia Dalmia
- Guests:** Jennifer Cymbola (Chair of AFAC; Standing Invitation to Attend UAS Meetings); Louis Moore (Co-Chair of the Rev. Dr. MLK Jr. Celebration Executive Planning Committee); Deb Sanders (Director of Compensation and Staff Relations, HR)

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of December 10, 2021 was reviewed.	The Agenda of December 10, 2021 was
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting December 3, 2021 were reviewed.	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of December 3, 2021 were
3. Report from the Chair	<p>The Chair reported that nominations are needed for faculty representatives to serve as Intercollegiate Athletic Advisors Committee; nominations can be sent to Chair Ngassa.</p> <p>The Chair shared upcoming calendar items, reminded senators of commencement events scheduled for this weekend and reported on the New Programs Council meeting.</p> <p>Senators are asked to remind their college personnel committee chair to report their college decision to allow deans of any rank to attend college personnel committee meetings as ex officio to the ECS Chair as required by BOT 4.2.10.2.</p> <p>Chair Ngassa further reported that the Standing Committee Mid-year reports are due and will be posted on the Faculty Governance website.</p>	
4. Report from the Provost	<p>Interim Provost Plouff reported that the new Intercollegiate Athletic Advisors Committee needs strong representation and provides a good opportunity for faculty input.</p> <p>He further reported that the review of the Title IX office is getting close to wrapping up interviews and a final report expected soon, with a campus visit to address any questions.</p> <p>An update on enrollment data was provided, noting another 0.8% drop. All are encouraged to participate in commencement activities this</p>	

	weekend.	
5. Report from Student Senate President	Student Senate President Mueller reported that Student Senate is hosting exam cram next week, and invited all to attend the State of the Student Body on January 27 at 4:30pm.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Louis Moore presented highlights of the planned events for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Week, and noted the changes for this year, with a request for senate endorsement.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to support the request for endorsement of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Week in Winter 2022.</p> <p>b. Marie McKendall presented an overview of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on Proposed Parental Leave Policy that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>ECS Motion</u> recommending support of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee recommendation on Proposed Parental Leave Policy was voted on.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the request for endorsement of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration Week in Winter 2022. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee Recommendation on Proposed Parental Leave Policy. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
c. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:37pm	