

Grand Valley State University
University Academic Senate
Minutes of February 3, 2023

Present: Robert Adams, Majd Al-Mallah, Yatin Bhagwat, Emily Bucon (Student Senate), Arthur Campbell, Rachel Campbell, Adrian Copeland, Tara Cornelius, David Crane, Jason Crouthamel, Alisha Davis, Brian Deyo, Mallory Everly (Student Senate), Justin Frappier (Student Senate EVP), John Gabrosek, Susan Harrington, Kevin Holohan, Barb Hooper, Naoki Kanaboshi, Courtney Karasinski (Vice Chair), Salvador Lopez-Arias, Hazel McClure, Amy McFarland, Marie McKendall, Figen Mekik, Azizur Molla, Jared Moore, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Charles Pazdernik, Chris Pearl, Quentin Proctor (Student Senate), Wil Rankinen, Mary Bower Russa, Gayle Schaub, Laura Schneider (for Christopher Haven), Brandon Schraeder (Student Senate), Anne Sergeant, Ashley Shannon, Paul Sicilian, Andrew Spear, Kevin Strychar, Agnieszka Szarecka Robert Talbert, Christopher Toth (for Oindrila Mukherjee), Deana Weibel, Jennifer Winther, Alexander Wilson, Mingyu Wu, Richard Yidana

Absent: Elizabeth Flandreau

Ex Officio: Fatma Mili, Ed Aboufadel, Suzeanne Benet, Bonnie Bowen

Guests: Donovan Anderson, Annie Bélanger (Dean University Libraries); Jennifer Cymbola (Chair of AFAC; Standing Invitation to Attend ECS Meetings); Jennifer Drake, Bob Hollister (Chair of FSBC); Justin Melick (AP Executive Committee Liaison to UAS); Kristin Meyer (AD University Libraries); Jeff Potteiger, Michelle Rhodes (AVP for Financial Aid); Greg Sanial (VP Finance and Administration); Sherill Soman, Amy Ferdinandt Stolley, B. Donta Truss (VP for Enrollment Development and Educational Outreach); Craig Wieschhorster (AVP Business and Finance).

The meeting was called to order at 3:

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of February 3, 2023, was reviewed.	The Agenda of February 3, 2023, was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of December 9, 2022, were reviewed.	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of December 9, 2023, were approved.
3. Report from the Chair	<p>Chair Ngassa shared relevant bylaw language on UAS responsibilities and effective communication and ways to request action from ECS/UAS. He reminded senators that the deadline to submit an article for the 2022-23 UAS Newsletter Lakers Ready for Equity and Sustainability is March 15.</p> <p>Chair Ngassa shared the names of faculty members appointed by ECS/UAS to the UTC and provided an update of the ECS work to date. He further noted that the only item outstanding from the UAS recommendation on the Title IX office is the external review, which will be conducted by Prof. Peter Lake from Stetson University and the report expected by the end of the semester.</p> <p>The upcoming schedule and proposed agenda items were shared, with questions addressed from the floor.</p>	
4. Report from the Provost	Provost Mili provided data about enrollment and retention and noted that GVSU is reversing the decline realized by COVID. Additionally,	

	<p>she stated that the metrics for Fall 2023 look positive. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p>	
5. Report from Student Senate President	<p>Student Senate Vice President Frappier reported that President’s Ball was a success. He further reported that they are gearing up for the State of the Student Body address scheduled for February 16 at 5pm in the Kirkhof Center.</p> <p>The Student Senate is working on restructuring their proposal for stipends and noted that they will be collaborating with peers at the United Student Government conference at the end of the month, and that their election process is in full swing.</p>	
6. New Business	<p>a. Michelle Rhodes provided an overview of the Scholarship System and noted the recent updates made to the program.</p> <p>b. Greg Sanial and Craig Wieschhorster presented an overview of the University Budget that was distributed earlier. Questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>c. Kristin Meyer, Cara Cadena, and Dean Annie Bélanger presented highlights of the University Libraries Collections Strategy for Reach Higher that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>d. Amy Campbell provided a summary of the Graduate Council recommendation on 8-Year Time Limit Policy that was distributed earlier. Questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Graduate Council recommendation on 8-Year Time Limit Policy was voted on.</p> <p>e. Chair Ngassa presented highlights of the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation on Academic Freedom that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation on Academic Freedom was voted on.</p> <p>f. Bob Hollister presented highlights of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Independent Studies Compensation that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Independent Studies</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Graduate Council recommendation on 8-Year Time Limit Policy. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Academic Policies and Standards Committee recommendation on Academic Freedom. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Independent Studies Compensation. APPROVED with 1 No; 1 Abstention</p>

	<p>Compensation was voted on.</p> <p><i>g.</i> Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Adjunct Pay that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Adjunct Pay was voted on.</p> <p><i>h.</i> Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee Update to Faculty Salary Adjustment Program that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee Update to the Faculty Salary Adjustment Program was voted on.</p> <p><i>i.</i> Bob Hollister presented an overview of the FSBC recommendation on Affiliate Promotional Increment that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion forwarded from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Affiliate Promotional Increment was voted on.</p> <p>During Open Comments, it was noted that “Roger That!” is scheduled for Friday, February 10 and Saturday, February 11. More information is available at https://www.gvsu.edu/rogerthat/.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Adjunct Pay. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee Update to the Faculty Salary Adjustment Program. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee recommendation on Affiliate Promotional Increment. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:00pm	