

# Grand Valley State University University Academic Senate Minutes of December 1, 2017

**Present:** Carly Aller (Student Senate), Corey Anton, Deborah Bambini, Christina Beaudoin, James Bell, Yatin Bhagwat, Matthew Boelkins, Jon Bowman (Student Senate President), Shawn Bultsma (Vice Chair), Kevin Chui (Student Senate), Alicia Davis, Kurt Fanning, Shirley Fleischmann, Douglas Graham, Jason Herlands, Jon Hodge, Naoki Kanaboshi, Brian Lakey, Sean Lancaster, Jonathan Leidig, George Lundskow, Kin Ma, Amy McFarland, Douglas Montagna, Felix Ngassa (Chair), Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Elizabeth Psyck, Karyn Rabourn, Kathryn Remlinger, Samhita Rhodes, Dawn Richiert, Georgette Sass, Gayle Schaub, Kevin Strychar, Melissa Tallman, Christopher Toth, Jody Vogelzang, Joy Washburn, Deana Weibel, Dan Ziegenfelder

**Absent:** Yatin Bhagwat, Joan Borst, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Courtney Karasinski, Claudia Leiras, Salvador Lopez-Arias, Harvey Nikkel, Ross Reynolds, James Sanford, Paul Sicilian, Jennifer Winther, Megan Woller-Skar

**Ex Officio:** Maria Cimitile, Jeff Potteiger

**Guests:** Bob Hollister, Sue Korzinek

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of December 1, 2017 was reviewed.	The Agenda of December 1, 2017 was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 27, 2017 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 27, 2017 were approved, with minor amendments.
3. Report from Chair	The Chair reported that the Teach-In was successful and saw an increase in attendance over previous events. He further reported on the work of ECS in November and presented the proposed schedule and upcoming agenda items.	
4. Report from Provost	Provost Cimitile presented an update on the work of Provost's Cabinet over the semester. She reported that summer enrollment initiatives, ensuring the delivery of quality & liberal education, retention efforts, HLC preparation, the Noteworthy bulletin, and building the budget have been discussed.	
5. Report from Student Senate	Student Senate President Bowman reported that he is pleased the Fall Break initiative is moving forward for discussion. Additional work at Student Senate included sending students to Oakland University for leadership training, holding a veterans drive, exam cram and sexual assault awareness.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Sue Korzinek presented an overview of MyName, a new enhancement for display/use name for GVSU Employees and Students and answered questions raised from the floor.</p> <p>b. Jeff Potteiger presented an executive summary of the 2016-17</p>	

	<p>Graduate Exit Survey Results and answered questions raised from the floor.</p> <p>c. Kin Ma presented an overview of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration week in January 2018 and distributed materials for review.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration week in January 2018 was voted on.</p> <p>d. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Student Membership that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Student membership was voted on.</p> <p>e. Bob Hollister presented an overview of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Annual Salary Adjustment that was distributed earlier. Discussion and questions were answered from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Annual Salary Adjustment was voted on.</p> <p>f. Provost Cimitile presented an overview of the University Curriculum Committee memo on first steps toward Academic Digital Badges that was distributed earlier and answered questions raised from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the University Curriculum Committee Memo on first steps toward Academic Digital Badges was voted on.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration week in January 2018. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Student membership. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee memo on Annual Salary Adjustment. <b>APPROVED with 1 Nay</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the University Curriculum Committee memo on first steps toward Academic Digital Badges. <b>APPROVED with 1 Nay</b></p>
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	<p>g. Tonya Parker presented an overview of the USSAD Memo on Study of Schools versus Department that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions answered from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the USSAD Task Force Memo on Study of Schools vs Departments was voted on.</p> <p>h. Doug Graham presented an overview of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee Memo on Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee <u>Faculty Handbook</u> Language Change that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>The <u>motion</u> forwarded by the Executive Committee of the Senate recommending support of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee Memo on Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee <u>Faculty Handbook</u> Language Change was voted on.</p> <p>i. The Chair presented an overview of the Formation of a Task Force to Explore Adding Fall Break to the GVSU Academic Calendar, and asked senators to send nominations for consideration at the December 8 ECS meeting. Discussion, including possible membership.</p> <p>During Open Comments, it was noted that nominations for the President’s Ball awards are available on the website.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the USSAD Task Force Memo on Study of Schools vs Departments.  <b>APPROVED with 1 Nay and 1 Abstention</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee Memo on Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee <u>Faculty Handbook</u> Language Change.  <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm	