

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of November 30, 2012

Present: Christina Beaudoin, Matt Boelkins, Shawn Bultsma, Wendy Burns-Ardolino, Paul Cornish, Cary Countryman, Gayle Davis (ex officio), Cory DiCarlo (Vice Chair), Kurt Fanning, Karen Gipson, Doug Graham, Cynthia Grapczynski, Julie Guevara (ex officio), Robert Hendersen, Jodee Hunt, Azfar Hussain, John Iott (Student Senate President), Jon Jellema (ex officio), Joseph Little (for Yatin Bhagwat), Sharon Leder, Kin Ma, Linda Masselink, Figen Mekik (Chair), Jag Nandigam, Harvey Nikkel, Tonya Parker, Donald Paszek, Chuck Pazdernik, Tim Penning, Ross Reynolds, Dawn Richiert, John Ritch, Donijo Robbins, Jeffrey Rothstein, Jim Sanford, Lynn Sheehan, Cynthia Smith, Jeanne Stoddard, Kirsten Strom, Jiyeon Suh, Keith Watts, Deana Weibel, Roger Wilson

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions	
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of November 30, 2012 was reviewed.	The agenda of November 30, 2012 was approved.	
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of October 26, 2012 were reviewed.	The Minutes of October 26, 2012 were approved.	
3. Report from Chair	a) The Chair announced upcoming senate agenda items, including LGBTQ Minor, Faculty / Student safety & conflict resolution, Graduate Academic Policy on Reserved Course numbers. b) The Chair reported that the next UAS meeting is January 25.		
4. Report from Provost	a) Provost Davis reported that an update will be distributed to all faculty regarding the series of future planning meetings that have been held with various units. She further reported there will be additional meetings held on the student success collaborative. b) Provost Davis reported there is no change expected in the state budget. c) Provost Davis reported that her office is continuing to put together the budget for next academic year. Provost Davis addressed questions raised from the floor.		
5. Report from Student Senate	a) Student Senate President Iott reported that the "Last Lecture" from Brian Riemersma was well attended. b) Student Senate Iott reported on various resolutions proposed by the Student Senate including establishing a Fall Break, and how to honor a student senator who passed away.		

	<p>c) Student Senate President Iott reported that the Presidents Ball is scheduled for February 1, 2013.</p> <p>In response to a question raised from the floor, Mr. Iott reported the Last Lecture is available online.</p>		
6. New Business	<p>a) Assistant Vice President Julie Guevara presented highlights of the new accreditation process from the Higher Learning Commission that was distributed earlier, and identified changes to the process. Dr. Guevara reported the next review for GVSU is expected in academic year 2018-19 and she will convene a self-study strategic positioning committee next semester to look at various planning stages needed down the road.</p> <p>Dr. Guevara answered questions raised from the floor related to the changes expected.</p> <p>b. Linda Masselink presented highlights of the FPPC Memo on Years of Credit Toward Tenure that was distributed earlier.</p> <p><u>A motion was made and seconded</u> to amend the language to the Years of Credit Toward Tenure from FPPC. Discussion.</p> <p>The exact number of years equated toward the probationary period will be stipulated in writing as a part of the appointment process, but will normally not exceed two (2) years, or two (2) full-time equivalent years for regular faculty with less than full-time appointments. <i>If two (2) years allowance is given, then the pre-tenure review will take place in year four (4) rather than in year three (3); if three (3) years allowance is given, then the tenure review in year six (6) will be the only review, unless, at the time of appointment, the candidate requests and the dean approves a pre-tenure review in year five (5).</i></p> <p><u>A motion was made and seconded</u> to approve the FPPC Memo as amended at the meeting.</p> <p>b) Linda Masselink presented FPPC Memo on Mentoring for Faculty with Non-Standard Appointments.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate recommends amending the language for the Years of Credit Toward Tenure. APPROVED Unanimously.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate approves the FPPC memo on Years of Credit Toward Tenure as amended at this meeting. APPROVED Unanimously.</p>	

	<p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to approve the FPPC memo on Mentoring for Faculty with Non-Standard appointments. Discussion</p> <p>c) The German Secondary Education Minor was discussed.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to approve the German Secondary Education Minor</p> <p>d) The UCC and FSBC memos recommending the addition of the statement <i>“If a curricular proposal involves significant budgetary implications, UCC may consult with the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee (FSBC) for their assessment of the proposed budget impact.”</i> at section 2.04.A.3 of the Faculty Handbook were discussed.</p> <p>A <u>motion was made and seconded</u> to approve adding the language to the Faculty Handbook as presented at this meeting.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate approves the memo from FPPC on Mentoring for Faculty with Non-Standard appointments. APPROVED Unanimously.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate approves the German Secondary Education Minor as presented at this meeting. APPROVED Unanimously.</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate approves adding the language <i>“If a curricular proposal involves significant budgetary implications, UCC may consult with the Faculty Salary and Budget Committee (FSBC) for their assessment of the proposed budget impact.”</i> at section 2.04.A.3 of the Faculty Handbook . APPROVED Unanimously.</p>	
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 4:28pm		

