

Grand Valley State University

University Academic Senate

Minutes of March 29, 2013

Present: Adamczyk, Beaudoin, Berlin, Bhagwat, David Coffey (for Boelins), Brent Smith (for Burns-Ardolino), Maria Cimitile (ex officio), Paul Cornish, Copenhaver (for Vavrikova), Cary Countryman, Gayle Davis (ex officio), Kurt Fanning, Karen Gipson, Joe Godwin (ex officio), Graham, Cynthia Grapczynski, Lang (for Hatzel), Robert Hendersen, Jodee Hunt, Azwar Hussain, Jack Iott (Student Senate), Nancy Levenburg, Kin Ma, Linda Masselink, Figen Mekik (Chair), Jag Nandigam, Harvey Nikkel, Tonya Parker (Vice Chair), Paszek, Charles Pazdernik, Tim Penning, Ross Reynolds, Dawn Richiert, Meri Goehring (for Ritch), Robbins, Jeffrey Rothstein, Lowen (for Sanford), Lynn Sheehan, Smith, Jeanne Stoddard, Kirsten Strom, Jiyeon Suh, Keith Watts, Deana Weibel

Guests: Martin Burg, Kurt Ellenberger, Keith Rhodes, Mark Luttenton, Charlie Standridge

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions	
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of March 29, 2013 was reviewed.	The agenda of March 29, 2013 was reviewed and a motion made to postpone discussion of item 6c until April 12. APPROVED Unanimously.	
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of January 25, 2013 were reviewed.	The Minutes of January 25, 2013 were approved.	
3. Report from Chair	a) The Chair introduced the new vice chair, Tonya Parker. b) The Chair presented an overview of nominees for an ombudsperson task force; came up with a new charge for APSC about whether to move a drop deadline; BOT meeting to share Faculty accomplishments. c) The Chair reported that she will not be on senate next year and new chair and vice chair will be elected. d) The Chair announced the milestones for various faculty members from the faculty awards convocation and those awarded or tenure promotion. Congratulations were extended to all. e) The Chair announced various items on upcoming agendas.		
4. Report from Provost	Provost Davis had no formal report; questions were answered from the floor.		
5. Report from Student Senate	a) Student Senate President Jack Iott reported how service on faculty governance and university committees will be addressed. Other topics under discussion include Right to Research and Open Access. Elections are underway with record turnouts.		

6. New Business	<p>a) Keith Rhodes presented an overview of changes underway in the general education program moving from “themes” to “issues”, how the implementation is proceeding and what is planned for the future.</p> <p>b) Mark Luttenton presented an overview of Academic Policies on combine degree programs that was distributed earlier. Discussion</p> <p>c) Martin Burg presented an overview of the UCC memo on Honors Designation that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>A friendly amendment was made to language presented.</p> <p>d) Kurt Ellenberger presented an overview of the FPPC memo on Senior Adjunct Instructor title that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>Kurt Ellenberger presented an overview of the FPPC memo on Early Tenure and Promotion that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>e) The FPPC memo on Baseline Expectations v.6 was presented. Discussion.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to change the language removing the reference to credits.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to change “Teaching, scholarship/creative activity, and service are included as part of each faculty member’s workload”</p>	<p>MOTION from ECS to approve memo from Graduate Council on combined degree programs APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION from ECS to approve UCC Memo on Honors designation as amended at this meeting. APPROVED Unanimously.</p> <p>MOTION from ECS to approve FPPC memo on Senior adjunct Instructor title APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION from ECS to approve FPPC memo on early tenure and promotion APPROVED with 21 Yes; 16 No; 1 Abstention.</p> <p>MOTION to amend the FPPC memo on Baseline expectations by removing the reference to credits. FAILED</p> <p>MOTION to change FPPC memo language to “Teaching, scholarship/creative activity, and service are included as part of each faculty member’s workload” APPROVED with 30 Aye, 1 Nay and 7 Abstentions</p> <p>MOTION from ECS to approve FPPC memo on Baseline Expectations as amended APPROVED Yes; 1 No; 2 Abstention</p>	

	<p>f) Revisions to University Libraries Faculty Assembly – NO DISCUSSION</p> <p>g) Request for creation of personnel committee for newly proposed department of applied science - NO DISCUSSION</p>		
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm	Lee Copenhaver replaces Marlen Vavrikova for this semester.	