

Grand Valley State University  
Executive Committee of the Senate Meeting  
**Minutes of September 6, 2024**

**Present:** Nick Baine, Krista Benson, Yatin Bhagwat, Jennifer Cymbola, Susan Harrington, Chris Haven, Courtney Karasinski (Chair), Salvador Lopez-Arias, Hazel McClure, Figen Mekik, Ernest Park, Tonya Parker, Chuck Pazdernik, Karyn Rabourn, Rahat Rafiq, Anne Sergeant (Vice Chair), Kevin Strychar, Deana Weibel, Jennifer Winther

**Absent:** Quinten Proctor

**Ex Officio:** Jen Drake, Ed Aboufadel

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decision
1. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of September 6, 2024, was reviewed.	The Agenda of September 6, 2024, was approved.
2. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of ECS Regular Meeting of August 30, 2024 were reviewed.	The Minutes of ECS Regular Meeting of August 30, 2024 were approved, as amended.
3. Report from Chair	<p>Chair Karasinski reported that the annual Teach-In is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13 in Seidman Hall in Grand Rapids, and Thursday, November 14 in Kirkhof Center.</p> <p>She further reported that the BIPOC taskforce shared information with the Equity and Inclusion Committee, with a full report from the seven taskforces set for September 26 to select groups. A web page is being built to share links to the reports.</p> <p>The University Technology Committee (UTC) is creating a policy regarding Artificial Intelligence (AI) to be reviewed by faculty senate prior to forwarding to the Senior Leadership Team (SLT).</p> <p>The upcoming calendar and agenda items were shared, along with proposals scheduled for the New Program Council meeting.</p> <p>Questions addressed from the floor.</p>	
4. Report from Provost	Acting Provost Drake noted that there was not a Provost Cabinet held since last week, but there was a meeting of the SLT. She reported that an email was received from Greg SanieI stating that a website regarding voting recommendations will be posted, and further reported that shuttles will be available for transportation to voting locations.	

	<p>The duration of the Grey DI contract is from August 2024 to August 2025 at a cost of \$399K to set up the system(s) and \$100K to maintain thereafter.</p> <p>Divisional goals are being fine-tuned and will be shared when available.</p> <p>Questions were addressed from the floor related to fall enrollment, rules established for annual evaluations (peer reviews), and parking.</p> <p>Additional information on enrollment will be available next week.</p>	
5. Report from Student Senate	No report from Student Senate.	
6. New Business	<p>a. Highlights of the FFPAC recommendations on Active Learning Spaces were presented by AVP Aboufadel. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendations on Active Learning Spaces and forward to UAS consent agenda with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>b. Highlights were provided of the FFPAC recommendations on Wayfinding that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendations on Wayfinding and forward to UAS.</p> <p>c. Highlights of the FFPAC recommendation on the Relationship with ATAC were shared. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendation on Relationship with ATAC and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>d. Discussion was heard on FFPAC recommendation on Facilities Needs by College that was distributed earlier. Questions were addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendation on Facilities Needs by College and forward to the</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendations on Active Learning Spaces and forwards them to UAS consent agenda with a recommendation to support. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on Wayfinding and forwards it to UAS. <b>APPROVED 18 Yes; 1 No; 0 Abstentions</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on Relationship with ATAC and forwards it to UAS with a recommendation to support. <b>APPROVED 18 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstention</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on Facilities Needs by College and forwards it to UAS with a recommendation to support <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>

	<p>UAS consent agenda with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>e. Highlights of the FFPAC recommendation on Standing Charges Update that was distributed earlier were discussed.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendation on Standing Charges Update and forward to the UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>f. Discussion was heard on the FFPAC recommendation on Optimum Membership Size that was distributed earlier.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made and seconded</u> to support the FFPAC recommendation on Optimum Membership Size and forward to UAS with a recommendation to support.</p> <p>g. Brief discussion was heard on Multi-Year Taskforce on the Evaluation of Teaching. Chair Karasinski will add further discussion to next week's agenda under Old Business to create a draft charge.</p> <p>Senators are asked to read SHORE #1376-2023 for additional information.</p> <p>A request was made to add faculty support of student voting to the next agenda.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on Standing Charges Update and forwards it to UAS with a recommendation to support <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> The Executive Committee of the Senate supports the FFPAC recommendation on Optimum Membership Size and forwards it to UAS with a recommendation to support. <b>APPROVED Unanimously</b></p>
7. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:02pm	