

Grand Valley State University
University Academic Senate
Minutes of November 1, 2024

Present: Ed Aboufadel; Nicholas Baine; Marshall Battani; Krista Benson; Yatin Bhagwat; Vijay Bhuse; Mary Bower; Susan Cleghorn; Adrian Copeland; Jennifer Cymbola; Brian Deyo; Emily Frigo; John Gabrosek; Charles Ham; Susan Harrington; Chris Haven; Michael Henshaw; Barbara Hooper; Naoki Kanaboshi; Courtney Karasinski; Bradley Koch; Salvador Lopez-Arias; Julia Mason; Leifa Mayers; Michelle McCloud; Hazel McClure; Figen Mekik; Oindrila Mukherjee; Ernest Park; Tonya Parker; Charles Pazdernik; Christopher Pearl; Linda Pickett; Joel Quamme; Karyn Rabourn; Rahat Ibn Rafiq; Anne Sergeant; Tamara Shreiner; Paul Sicilian; Andrew Spear; Kevin Strychar; Lisa Surman; Miriam Teft; Daniel Vainner; Deana Weibel; Alexander Wilson; Jennifer Winther; Mingyu Wu; Faye Yang; Richard Yidana

Absent:

Ex Officio: Jennifer Drake, Ed Aboufadel

Guests: Amanda Buday, Chair, FPPAC; Melissa Morison, Chair, FPPC; Sherril Soman, Dean, CECI; Jeff Potteiger, Dean, CHP

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action / Decisions
1. Approval of Consent Agenda	The Consent Agenda of November 1, 2024 was reviewed.	The Consent Agenda of November 1, 2024, was approved, which included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) Memo on Multiple-Modality Course Delivery College of Education and Community Innovation (CECI) Personnel Committee Composition Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Memo on College of Health Professions College Personnel Committee Representation Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Memo on Core Competencies and Implications in Faculty Personnel Processes Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Memo on Faculty Awards in Personnel Processes Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) Memo on Optimum Membership
2. Approval of Agenda	The Agenda of November 1, 2024, was reviewed.	The Agenda of November 1, 2024 was approved.
3. Approval of Minutes	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of April 19, 2024 were reviewed. The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of September 27, 2024 were reviewed.	The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of April 19, 2024 were approved after adding OMNI Task Force. 1 abstention. The Minutes of UAS Regular meeting of September 27, 2024 were approved with 1 abstention
4. Report from the Chair	Chair Karasinski reminded all about the upcoming Teach-In on	

	<p>November 13 and 14, and reported that the Faculty Fora on AI had small attendance, but good discussion.</p> <p>She additionally reported that discussion on the COACHE survey will be a standing item on the UAS agenda, the Taskforce on student voting has been postponed, and Human Resources sent an email campus-wide about managing election-related stress.</p> <p>The New Program Council approved prospecti for MS management and MS HCC.</p> <p>The upcoming calendar and proposed agenda items were shared.</p>	
5. Report from the Provost	<p>SAVP Aboufadel reported on behalf of the provost that PCE dean search is underway, as well as other searches.</p> <p>He reminded senators that the election is Tuesday, November 5 and students should communicate with faculty about their plans to vote if they will be away from class; additionally, staff have 2 hours of time allotted to visit the polls.</p> <p>Workday Student is on track for implementation and feedback has been received from faculty and staff.</p> <p>Reach Higher 2025/Reach Higher Together is getting updated with prep work now for more engagement next semester. The goal is to have a draft by next fall.</p> <p>A concern was raised about Panopto and SVAP Aboufadel was asked to share with the provost.</p>	
6. Report from Student Senate President	<p>Student Senate President Proctor reported that Student Senate has had a productive semester. They've spent some time implementing the changes made during their restructuring process last year. This includes creating connections between their new college representatives and the college deans, outlining their newly re-organized Cabinet positions, and more.</p> <p>In recent weeks, Student Senate has been preparing for their upcoming Student Solutions Summit. They are piloting this event for the first time, and the goal is for it to be a high-visibility event where Student Senate can engage directly with students to hear their concerns, priorities, and what they want to see from their student government. This year, the Student Solutions Summit will be held on Thursday, November 21st from 4:30-6pm in the Pere Marquette Room in Kirkhof (KC 2204). Food will be provided. Please encourage students to attend.</p> <p>Last year, Student Senate passed a bill that asked the University to look into the creation of a Student Legal Services Department. This would serve to help students that may need legal advice or assistance for a variety of issues, including with off-campus leasing and other topics. This week, the Student Legal Services</p>	

	<p>Taskforce met for the first time to investigate implementation at GVSU. Their next steps are to look into how other universities fund similar programs to see if this could be feasible here.</p> <p>Student Senate is also preparing for the upcoming election encouraging students to go out and vote and helping answer questions to support them. Many Student Senators have volunteered at the Satellite Clerk's Office in the Kirkhof Center. They will also be working to support students after the election to make sure that they can come back together.</p> <p>They are gearing up their legislative process for a few potential upcoming bills later this school year.</p>	
7. Discussion on COACHE Survey	<p>The COACHE survey was discussed with Chair Karasinski noting that SLT does want to work together.</p> <p>Concerns were presented on how much additional work is forced on faculty when the changes occur without faculty input.</p> <p>Krista Benson provided an overview of the GVSU results and noted a 57% response rate. Graphs were shown that showed quantitative data was compared against peer institutions. Questions were addressed from the floor related to clarification of the data.</p> <p>During discussion it was noted that VP's should be invited to come to UAS as issues arise. It was expressed that faculty feel they have not been heard nor respected; more dialogue with SLT and BOT is needed, including inviting BOT to UAS meetings. The Chair and Vice Chair will be meeting with the President.</p> <p>Additional comments can be sent to Ernest Park.</p>	
8. Old Business	<p>a. Laura Stroik presented a review of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Relationship with Academic Technology Advisory Committee that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>Motion from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Relationship with Academic Technology Advisory Committee was voted on.</p> <p>b. Amanda Buday provided highlights of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Wayfinding that was distributed earlier. Discussion, with questions from the floor.</p> <p>The <u>Motion from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Wayfinding was voted on.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Relationship with Academic Technology Advisory Committee and forwards it to Administration. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Wayfinding and forwards it to Administration. APPROVED with 27 Yes; 11 No; 3 Abstentions</p>

	<p>c. Amanda Buday provided an overview of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Facilities Needs by College that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>Motion from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Facilities Needs by College was voted on.</p> <p>d. Amanda Buday presented highlights of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Standing Charges Update that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>Motion from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Standing Charges Update was voted on.</p> <p>e. Amanda Buday provided highlights of the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Optimum Membership Size that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p> <p>The <u>Motion from ECS</u> to support the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Optimum Membership Size was voted on.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Facilities Needs by College and forwards it to Administration. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Standing Charges Update and forwards it to Administration. APPROVED Unanimously</p> <p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Facilities Planning Advisory Committee (FFPAC) recommendation on Optimum Membership Size and forwards it to Administration. APPROVED Unanimously</p>
9. New Business	<p>a. Heather Gulgin provided a Workday Student Update. Discussion, with questions addressed from the floor.</p> <p>A <u>Motion was made, seconded and approved by consensus</u> to extend the meeting by 15 minutes</p> <p>Discussion on Workday Student continued.</p> <p>b. Discussion of the Online Education and Microcredential Council (OEMC) recommendation on Faculty Certification for Online/Hybrid Teaching was Tabled until the next meeting.</p> <p>c. Melissa Morison presented highlights of the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendation on Release Time and Faculty Evaluation that was distributed earlier. Discussion.</p>	<p>MOTION: The University Academic Senate supports the Faculty Personnel Policy Committee (FPPC) recommendation on Release Time and Faculty Evaluation and forwards it to Administration.</p>

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10. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 5:13pm	