

Eastern Michigan University
Faculty Senate
February 8, 2017
3-5 p.m., 300 Student Center
FINAL MINUTES

Present: Myler, Willis, Chung, Wall, Elton, Baier, McTague, Rahman, Higgins, Millan, Pressley-Sanon, Neufeld, Smith, Carpenter, Kullberg, Rusiniak, Hayworth, Spolans, Pawlowski, Cardon, Faust, Edwards, Moore, Tew, Bari, Narayanan, Quiel, Foster, Leon, Barton, Eisenbach, McCurdy

- I. Review and approval of the agenda (3:03) Approved with one modification
 - II. Review and approval of 1-25 minutes (3:06) Approved with corrections. One abstention
 - III. Senate Logistics/infrastructure (3:08)
 - A. Committee elections—ballot (3:09) Move to accept uncontested candidates by acclamation.
 - B. Calendar clarity (3:19) Added meeting on May 17; FSEB meeting on May 10. Committees – D Willis. Would like to sort out who is on what University committee. Circulate a sheet of what committee you are on and who is the chair.
 - C. Faculty lounge rental revenue/access restrictions (3:20)-Rm 247 McKenny. Accessible by swipecard. We will get rental revenue for several weekends in the summer. \$2000
 - IV. Committee reports: IAAC met. Asked about updates on bowl games. Invoices are still coming in. Need to wait till next meeting. Highest GPA of athletes ever. Academic support director is in place (Karen – she’s on the website)
 - A. Athletic Issues (Faust) (3:22)-
 - B. Budget and Resources (Carpenter) (3:26) – Reviewed Plante Moran report given to the BoR in June 2016. Not publicly available any more. Hmmm? BoR did credit swaps to be able to borrow money with EMU poor credit. Report distributed: Analysis of College Revenue FY12-16. **Attached**
 - p. 1-2 Assumptions
 - p. 3 – trying to get p 3 for 4 years – first time we see cost per credit hour as well as revenues. When you only look at credit hours w/o revenue, the picture is inaccurate because not all credit hours bring in the same revenue
Lost 36,000 credit hours
Revenue per credit hour at various levels. Gross revenue gone up \$17 million
Financial aid – discount rates are not the same for all students.
Shortfall is due to what we are giving away.
Financial aid is not part of Expenses
- Net Academic Revenue: Table 2 – (Tables 3 + 4)

Admins say if we bring more students in we will make up shortfall because they spend money in other areas like housing, dining services, etc. Intentional to make academic side look worse and see a broader revenue pool.

Decrease revenue production and increase revenue. So why are academic programs being hammered for reduced credit hours? Expenses are virtually unchanged over 5 years which is unheard of for an institution our size.

This report was distributed to the Deans two weeks ago.

Is there a rationale for the significant cuts departments recently took? A: Likely due to the budget model being used. Budget shortfalls often due to goal numbers, not actual numbers.

Executive summary report was requested. Committee will work on that.

C. Institutional Issues (Barton)

1. Distinguished Faculty Award (3:42) – don't have a faculty chair. Handled through the Provost's office by faculty reward recipients.
2. EEFC (3:44) – agenda includes 24/7 space for students, allocation of program space, current status of the Bubble, meeting is next week

D. Graduate Council (Higgins) (3:48) – Policies on grad grades – GC passed new language for grading and recommended it to Tornquist. Formation of grad student advisory council. Updating thesis and dissertation manual. Conditional admissions – improving policy.

E. Academic Issues (Moore, et al) – still in limbo. May reconstitute

1. AP Listening session 2/10 in 247 McKenny, Faculty Lounge 11AM (3:51)
2. FS AS Grievant (Rusiniak) (4:00)- In response to interest in grieving: AAUP responded – Written response was distributed for review by and input from the Senate. AAUP believes Senate has standing to grieve. Remedies on last page are purview of the Senate. Must be filed by Friday.
College Councils could craft resolutions in support of colleagues/bodies are grieving. Provost misinterprets input's contractual meaning. There are lots of verbal assurances that are not in the contract. To protect our rights as a faculty we need to grieve. Apart from content – the contract was violated relate to our rights to input.

Motion: Senate becomes signatory to this grievance. Seconded. Accepted as friendly amendment: Senate president may sign this grievance on behalf of a majority vote of faculty senate.

YES 27 with 2 abstentions. Motion carries.

Senate members may add their names individually via email to Julie Berger.

- F. Technology Issues (Baier) (4:11)
- G. Student Issues
 - 1. Sanctuary- Response to Extreme Vetting (4:15) -
 - a. President's Letter
 - b. Draft Joint Resolution(s) FS, AAUP, Student Government, et al **Motion to support this draft resolution. Passes unanimously.**
 - 2. DAAAS resolution (4:45) -
 - 3. Student award nominations – gold medallion deadline February 17 (4:55)
- H. Let the minutes reflect that Michael McVey made an excellent presentation on Global Council at BoR meeting. Senate president commended all on their dedication to moving the university closet to what we want it to be.
- V. Adjournment (4:37pm)