

Eastern Michigan University
Faculty Senate
March 15th, 2017
3-5 p.m., 310A Student Center
DRAFT Minutes

Present: R. Baier, J. Bari, D. Barton, S. Chung, J. Curran, G. Edwards, J. Eisenbach, D. Foster, S. Hayworth, P. Higgins, R. Leon, J. McCurdy, T. McTague, M. McVey, M. Millian, Z. Moore, L. Myler, K. Narayanan, C. Neufeld, D. Pawlowski, R. Quiel, J. Pressley-Sanon, M. Rahman, N. Romerhausen, K. Rusiniak, P. Smith, M. Tew, C. Wall, D. Willis
D. Baker-guest, K. Kucera-guest

- I. Review and approval of the agenda (3:02)
 - Agenda approved with one abstention
- II. Review and approval of 2-8 and 3-1 minutes (3:04)
 - Addition of John McCurdy to the 2-8 minutes. Minutes approved with one abstention
- III. Senate Logistics/infrastructure
 - A. Committee elections (3:06)-Ballot accepted without contention
 1. UJB-Patricia Hume added
 2. EEFC-
 3. Alcohol and other drugs-Chairperson asked for Perry Francis to remain on the committee.
 - B. Committee clarity (Willis) (3:16)
 - Making progress on getting chairpersons of the committees. President to check on existence of the institutional and strategic planning committee; verified membership on faculty hires committee.
 - C. Department Senate Elections/ bylaws wording update (3:20)
 - Asked for senators to review and give corrections. Omit comma between English, Language and Literature in Group 2; Marketing to be added to group 2; Theatre corrected in Group 1
- IV. Committee reports
 - A. Athletic Issues (Faust) (4:35)
 - Media article on spending for athletics to be discussed at next executive board meeting to address questions.
 - Student government gave President a letter to clarify their stance on Free Press article. Student government does not support tuition revenue spent on new athletic facilities.
 - B. Institutional Issues (Barton) (3:30)

Kevin Kucera visit 3/15 FS meeting: Enrollment Management Update

- Over 10 year run 20% decrease in high school graduates similar to other states. Chart on steady rise in enrollment presented. Slight dip in 2014 attributed to negative media. Growth in financial aid budget aligned to enrollment trend. Diversity, ACT, and honors college enrollment increased

since Fall 2011. Presented information on first education, emerald, and NSP scholarships. Emerald scholarship has increased to 6500.00.

- Charts on net revenue and FITAC for EMU and top competitors, transfer enrollments. Transfer student enrollment at EMU has fallen in the context of declining community college enrollments.
- Graduate student enrollments-Fall 2012-2016 total graduate student enrollment decline. Attributes some of decline to improving quality and decreasing the “undecided” graduate admissions.
- International student enrollment-Focus on better improvement of processes to admit students. Currently now have associate director, coordinator to help with this area.
- National issues: Government now put a limit on Pell grants of 6 years and eliminated summer Pell grants. This resulted in decrease in credit hours at EMU. Approximately 42% of UG eligible for Pell grants. Part time student credit hours decreased.
- Retention and degree improvement plan-Increasing student preparedness impacts retention rate. Scholarship and retention chart presented.
- Academic partnership-to spend 1.5 million per academic program. EMU retains total control of curriculum and ownership of intellectual property. Programs do not have to use AP coaches. Administration views this relationship as a marketing contract.

C. Technology Issues (Baier) (4:38)-deferred

D. Student Issues (Rusiniak) (4:38)-deferred

E. Academic Issues (Moore) (4:27)

Doug Baker visit: Writing 121

- Proposal to revise course outcomes. Process documents sent to Senators prior to the meeting.
- Faculty and those related to Writing 121 have input on SLOs.
- Input given from Provost and sub-committees on assessment, advisory council prior to Senate presentation
- Discussion from Senators related to concerns on plagiarism

Motion to support changes in Writing 121: motion passed with one opposed and one abstention

President encouraged attendance at Provost candidate presentation 2/16. Faculty feedback best given by putting email on roster at the presentation. Search committee to meet 2/21.

F. Budget and Resources (Carpenter) (3:17)-Reported on J. Carroll’s presentation on finances related to nursing program and AP contract. Currently, \$300,000 generated every 7.5 weeks. AP wants to double students with same revenue. AP would assume 20,000 cost that the university puts in to support students. Nursing

and MBA program would be marquee programs for AP. Summer enrollment discussion at next meeting.

- G. Graduate Council (Higgins) (4:39)-Continuing to support a graduate student council. Passed several changes to policies related to academic and conditional admissions, embargo policy. Approved changes to the dissertation manual. Doctoral programs will set own policy on students who apply for graduation without taking dissertation credits. Opposed proposal to allow individual departments to decide on allocation of GA hangtags.
- V. Provost's Report (4:49)
- M. Tew mentioned wanting two faculty senate representatives to attend a retention student symposium April 10-11.
 - Executive board meeting 3/22 from 3-5pm not 3/29
 - Progress related to issues on students of color. Student/parents initiative: survey done by Women's resource center on the subject. Discussed rethinking the subject for serviceability and affordability.
 - Adjournment (4:57)

Respectfully submitted

Linda Myler