
EXECUTIVE BOARD
Minutes of 22 July 2022**Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Western Michigan University Faculty Senate Executive Board was called to order at 10:04 a.m. on 22 July 2022, in Ellsworth Hall, room 3201 and via Webex video conferencing by Sarah Summy, president.

Roll Call

Members in Attendance: Lisa DeChano-Cook, Kieran Fogarty, Decker Hains, John Jellies, Kyle Jehnzen, William Rantz, Sarah Summy, Zeljka Vidic, Bret Wagner

Member Absent: Anthony DeFulio

Staff in Attendance: Sue Brodasky

Quorum

A quorum was present.

Agenda

An unfinished item was added of the HCOB BBA Core curriculum proposal.

It was moved by Fogarty, seconded by Jellies, to accept the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Jellies, seconded by Rantz, to approve the 8 July 2022 meeting minutes as presented. The motion carried.

Reports of Officers

President Summy reported on a recent meeting with the Western Student Associate leadership. Topics included WSA proposal to create a neighborhood association which would enable WSA to increase communication with students and increase the possibility of grant monies, as well as create an avenue for political campaigning. WSA is in the process of drafting the proposal and will be asking for Senate support. The WSA proposal will be distributed to the Executive Board when it is received.

Vice President Rantz reported on his meeting with Acting Provost Chris Cheatham. Topics included the HCOB BBA Core curriculum proposal, curriculum proposal CEHD1155, Curriculumlog implementation delay, alternate planning for the Faculty Retirement Recognition event, and additional funding for the vacant Senate office Administrative Assistant II salary.

Unfinished Business

Brodasky reported that the offer for the Admin Assistant II position was accepted and a start date is expected soon. The position hours have been established as 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, however, this schedule will be altered during the position training period to have the staff attend Faculty Senate Executive Board, councils, committee, and Senate meetings.

It was moved by Wagner, seconded by Hains, to appoint Mohammad Daneshvar Kakhki, to fill the vacant Business seat on the Campus Planning and Finance Council. The motion carried.

President Summy asked for any final input on the Senate mission and vision to be email to her. She asked for team leaders to be ready to report at the 12 August EB meeting. DeChano-Cook reported on Objective 3 task of creating incentives for Senate participation. She explored incentives at other universities and was unable to find any programs. She noted that monetary incentives are not a possibility, however, suggested upgrading a faculty members technology. Discussion was held regarding how to make Senate service more important for tenure and promotion. It was suggested to find ways to acknowledge and highlight current Senators service.

Vidic joined the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

Wagner led discussion regarding the HCOB BBA Core curriculum proposal. It is unclear at what stage of implementation is the proposal. Since registration for fall 22 is already underway HCOB advisors are guiding students about how to navigate to meet the requirement for fall 23. Discussion was held.

President Summy led discussion regarding the planned chair training scheduled for 2 September from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Brodasky will be arranging for a room in Bernhard and for catering. Hains had previously developed a PowerPoint that will need to be updated. The revised presentation will be distributed to the EB to review prior to the training date.

New Business

President Summy introduced the draft council 2022-23 charges. Charges for AITC, USC, GSC, RPC, and IEC were reviewed and edited.

It was moved by Jellies, seconded by Hains, to approve AITC 2022-23 charges as amended. The motion carried.

It was moved by Hains, seconded by Rantz, to approve USC 2022-23 charges as amended. The motion carried.

It was moved by Hains, seconded by Wagner, to approve GSC 2022-23 charges as amended. The motion carried.

It was moved by Wagner, seconded by Hains, to approve RPC 2022-23 charge as amended. The motion carried.

It was moved by Hains, seconded by Wagner, to approve IEC 2022-23 charges as amended. The motion carried.

Charges for CPFC and WMU Essential Studies Executive Advisory Committee were postponed to the next meeting.

Due to Miller's absence the syllabus template was postponed.

University Committees

President Summy provided the report of the University Strategic Planning Steering Committee. The seven working groups have prepared recommendations based on their areas, but there are too many recommendations in total. Each working group is presenting its recommendations to the Steering Committee in order to prioritize all recommendations.

Jellies provided the report of the University Policy Committee. The bi-weekly meetings have been canceled. There are three policies that are at the terminal process, those are Animals on Campus, Campus Closure, and Drones on Campus.

DeChano-Cook provided the report of the Employee Engagement Survey Committee. The qualitative data has been received. The committee will be meeting with the President's Cabinet in August to give an update and ask for commitment to proposed actions.

Faculty Senate Councils and Committees

None.

Announcements

Rantz questioned a communication regarding mandatory diversity and inclusion training. President Summy confirmed that such a communication had been distributed and included a link to the training module. The training is to be completed by October and is included in the AAUP Agreement. Rantz was asked to inquire to the Acting Provost for reminder communication to be distributed.

Adjournment

President Summy adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m. The next Executive Board meeting will be held on 12 August, 2022 at 10 a.m. in room 3201 of Ellsworth Hall and via Webex.

Approval

Submitted by Sue Brodasky, Faculty Senate Administrator

Minutes were approved 26 August 2022.