Governing Faculty Meeting-Approved March 13, 2018

February 2, 2018

FH 161 1:00pm-3:00pm

Ricardo Alfaro-Chair and Emily Newberry-Secretary were present

**Governing Faculty Present:** J. Haefner (SON), B. Barman (CSEP), B. Rodda (PT), P. Nas (ECN), S. Trojanowski (PT), A. Goldberg (PT), D. Lair (COM), R. Ganguly (CSEP), M. Fhaner (CMB), J. Sanders (BIO), L. Smith (PT), K. Berg (PT), V. Larsen (ENG), DJ Trela (FOR), L. Svoboda (LIB), L. McLeman (MTH), H. Wehbe-Alamah (NUR), S. Banerjee (COM), D. Birchok (SACJ), B. Veillet (PHL), E. Britt (ENG), D. Duriancik (BIO), G. Gameda (AFS), B. Schrader (COM), T. Wrobel (PSY), M. Silva (COM), B. Blume (SOM), M. Paroske (COM), S. Roach (ENG), S. Bernstein (ENG), J. Alvey (SACJ), J. Blumner (ENG), H. Laube (SACJ), E. Common (EDU), C. Kenney (EDU), S. Drummond-Lewis (SACJ), B. McKibbin (PSY), F. Svoboda (ENG), J. Kelts (CMB), J. Tischler (CMB), V. Prygoski (LIB), C. Douglas (ECN), C. Larson (PT), T. Hemphill (SOM), K. Im (LIB), J. Lederman (SACJ), B. Dabney (SON), S. Rosaen (COM), K. Schilling (MTH), K. Moreland (SOM), M. Mani (CSEP), D. Fry (SHPS), S. Talley (PT), N. Zhu (CSEP), C. Miller (SOM), J. Song (CMB), M. Burzo (CSEP), M. Wynoken (EDU), J. Lawand (FOR), M. Doyle (LIB), J. Schirmer (ENG), A. Lutzker (ECN)

Meeting called to order at 1:03 pm

**Review of minutes from September 15, 2017 (revised) and October 6, 2017:**

E. Newberry made brief explanation of Robert’s Rules description of minutes being record of what was done not said.

Discussion of minutes occurred. Both sets of minutes were approved unanimously.

**H. Laube- update on Faculty Mentoring program:** brief presentation on aims of the Faculty Mentoring program: developing skills and habits to align time with priorities, and accountability structures, creating mentoring relationships, and building the community as a whole. Activities available through the Faculty Mentoring program include workshops, mentor directory, faculty socials.

**Dan-Lair- Strategic Planning update:** work is commencing on implementing the high-level priorities developed in phase 1 with the same stakeholders. The team will work with HLC reaccreditation group. They are asking stakeholders to consider several questions: What are we doing that we should be doing more of? What are we doing that we should be doing less of? What should we stop doing? Each main group should identify a liaison to connect with the strategic planning group.
Introduction to Faculty Governance Reform: R. Alfaro presented a slideshow showing timeline of events related to the Governance Task Force report presentation.

Overview of the work of the Governance Task Force - no one from task force was present to give presentation of the work of the Governance Task Force.

J. Lawand made motion to postpone presentation until such time as the members could be at a governing faculty meeting. J. Sanders seconded.

Discussion of motion -
- Members of GF would like to be able to hear presentation and ask questions
- Chair of GTF requested 20 minutes on this agenda, so members came prepared to hear the presentation

J. Lawand amends motion to postpone the discussion for 2 months in order to hear the proposal and related motions.

Vote: the motion failed.

Discussion of Motion 1:
- Clarification about what motion 1 involves, i.e. is it a vote to take a senate model to Ann Arbor for authority? Is the motion just the bolded text or the narrative after the motions?
- Suggestion to request authority directly from regents and not Senate Assembly.
- Questions about if Dearborn is in a similar situation.
- Premature to have motions, goal of task force was to have recommendations

M. Paroske makes motion to recommit motion 1 to Faculty Council to engage further study of the underlying issue of proper authority of UM-Flint as they see fit. T. Hemphill seconds.

J. Sanders moves to amend motion to include a 4 month timeline to have FC bring back its findings within that time. M. Murali seconds. Discussion of timeline. J. Sanders amends his amendment to 6 months.

Vote on amendment: motion fails.

Vote on main motion: motion fails.

Discussion of Motion 2:
- Concerns with lack of consideration for the traditions of the institution
• Question about format, is this a resolution or is this a motion to amend the Code?
• Request to have this voted by electronic ballot.

R. Alfaro stated that FC reviewed the motion and considers it a code change which means it will go to electronic ballot.

M. Paroske moves to overrule chair and consider motion 2 as a resolution and not a code change. DJ. Trela seconds motion.

Discussion on changing to a resolution.

Vote on amendment: motion passes

J. Alvey moves to postpone main motion indefinitely. J. Schirmer seconds.

Vote: motion to postpone indefinitely passes.

**Administrator survey process:** This year Chancellor, Vice Chancellor of Inclusion and Student Life, all deans and associate deans will be surveyed as well as Faculty Council.

**Matters arising:**

J. Lawand wants to express thanks to the GTF for a lot of time, hard work, and effort that went into the report. Thank you for the effort and thoughtfulness of the product.

D. Lair reminder of open forum for strategic planning next Friday (Feb 9) from 9am-11:30am in Michigan rooms A&B

L. Svoboda- motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Newberry
Secretary/Chair-Elect Faculty Council