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MINUTES OF THE SACUA MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2013

Present: K. Barald, R. Goldman, R. Holland, K. Kearfott (Chair), F. Larsen, J. Lehman (Senate Secretary), S. Masten, K. Staller (Vice Chair); L. Carr, T. Schneider

Absent: C. Koopmann, S. Oey

Guests: Eric Lundberg, Chief Investment Officer, Steve Grafton, Executive Director of the Alumni Association, Ayanna MacConnell, Manager of Student and Diversity Initiatives

Press: Sam Gringlas - Michigan Daily; -University Record; Kelly Woodhouse – Ann Arbor.com

MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

1. Draft SACUA agenda for March 25, 2013
2. Draft of SACUA minutes dated March 11, 2013

The meeting was convened by Chair Kearfott.

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

The agenda and the minutes of March 11, 2013 with a slight correction were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Regent Diggs will be the guest at the April 8, 2013 SACUA meeting. The meeting will start at 4:30 pm because of the Regent Diggs' schedule.

SACUA CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR ELECTION

Because the use of proxies was previously approved, C. Koopman and S. Oey gave T. Schneider their choices. K. Staller was elected chair for 2013-2014 by acclamation. Since there were two candidates for Vice Chair, ballots were handed out, marked and collected. The votes were counted by Senate Secretary Lehman. R. Holland was declared the winner.

LIAISON REPORTS

F. Larsen reported on Research Policies Committee – the committee has been concerned with computing security, etc.

S. Masten is liaison on the Committee on the Economic Status of Faculty (CESF) and the Provost's Advisory Committee on Budgetary Affairs (PACBA). Since Chair Kearfott is on PACBA and involved with CESF, she gave the reports. Both outgoing and incoming provosts are behind the affordability workshop recently given at the Senate/Senate Assembly meeting. The CESF will have rolling deadlines and the analysis is difficult.

Chair Kearfott also reported on the Committee on University Values. It is currently laboring over a white paper on the presidential search.

R. Holland is liaison on the Committee for an Inclusive University (CIV), which is working on a paper written by J. Carsen based on a recent article in the Atlantic, and the Committee on Civil Liberties (CCL) which is working on organizing a symposium on accessibility in October.

GUEST – ERIC LUNDBERG, INVESTMENTS

Introductions were made and E. Lundberg handed out a print out of a PowerPoint presentation, entitled, "[Investing at Michigan](#)".

He went through the handout and presented the information.

When asked if there were any political considerations to investments made, he replied that the Regents wanted him to base the investments on return only and to be blind to political considerations. There is a ban on investments in tobacco. The University counts on the external fund manager to be aware of political considerations or unethical behavior. Currently the University doesn't invest in weapons companies or in Middle East oil.

The guest left at 4:18 pm.

GUESTS – STEVE GRAFTON AND AYANNA MAC CONNELL, ALUMNI ASSN.

Introductions were done. S. Grafton began the PowerPoint presentation entitled, "[Overview of the Alumni Association](#)". Ayanna MacConnell began when the LEAD scholarship program was introduced. Because the Alumni Assn is a separate 503C entity from the University, it can give scholarships based on criteria that the University is not allowed to use, such as race. It was set up in response to the State of Michigan law in 2006 which outlawed affirmative action by the University. The scholarship is a 4-year \$2,500-\$10,000/year scholarship. The average GPA of entering students is 3.9 and the average ACT score is 30. Beside financial support, the students are given other support, such as mentoring.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Carr, SACUA Office Staff

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“... [t]he senate is authorized to consider any subject pertaining to the interests of the university, and to make recommendations to the Board of Regents in regard thereto. Decisions of the University Senate with respect to matters within its jurisdiction shall constitute the binding action of the university faculties. Jurisdiction over academic policies shall reside in the faculties of the various schools and colleges, but insofar as actions by the several faculties affect university policy as a whole, or schools and colleges other than the one in which they originate, they shall be brought before the University Senate.”