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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs
Monday, October 31, 2022, 3:15
The hybrid meeting was held 1100 Ruthven and via Zoom

In Person Attendance: Chair Pedraza, Professor Liu, Professor Toyama, FSO Director McCarthy, FSO Coordinator Vandenberghe, FSO Coordinator Marshall, Secretary Spencer

Virtual Attendance: Professor Atzmon, Professor Braun, Professor Cushing, Professor Villalobos

Absent: Vice Chair Singer, Professor Modrak

Guests: Ombuds Michelle Hanoosh – In Person
Ombuds Robert Ortega – Virtual

Press: Katie Kelton – *University Record* – Virtual Attendance
Nirali Patel – *Michigan Daily* – Virtual Attendance
Grace Lahti – *Michigan Daily* – In Person

3:15 -- Call to Order – The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:15. The minutes of the October 10th meeting were approved by consent. Announcements were in the Chair's update.

3:20 – SACUA Chair Updates –

- Both the provost and new president have confirmed the dates that they will meet with faculty. Provost Laurie McCauley will meet with the Senate Assembly on December 12th and President Santa Ono will meet with the University Senate on November 21st.
- The video recording of the October 3rd Regent's Candidate Forum has received 850 views to date.
- On October 13th Chair Pedraza and FSO Director McCarthy met with Provost McCauley and Counsel to the Provost Christine Gerdes to discuss a possible collaboration between SACUA and the Office of the Provost. It was decided that Faculty Mental Health would be the project to be undertake. The FSO Director has forwarded a video from the DEI office regarding their survey on this issue and anticipate a fuller report on mental health in the future.
- Also, on October 13th the chair met virtually with Professor Gina Cervetti of the School of Education who conducted the Mental Health Implementation Work

Team. Rather than mental health, the focus of the meeting was the pass / fail option across various units and how students would benefit from having more uniformity across schools and programs.

- On October 22nd SACUA held a day-long retreat at the Matthaei Botanical Garden with facilitator Denise Williams. The goal of her presentation was to demonstrate that people who work together may have different styles of conflict management: competing, collaborating, avoiding, and accommodating.
 - Her goal was that we work together in a collaborative fashion.
 - The retreat was held later this year so that the new FSO employees could participate in the planning and attendance.
 - The Matthaei Botanical Gardens are a venue of choice for this and other events due to the ease catering, audio-visual facilitation, and natural beauty of the environment.
- The Chair is now a member of the Presidential Inauguration Committee that decides what activities will take place during the presidential inauguration on March 7, 2023. During this first meeting it was determined that the program would closely follow that of the most recent presidential inauguration with an address by the governor, etc.
 - There will be a faculty-organized symposium
 - Possible guests may include Hannah Gray from the University of Chicago and Victor Dzau, President of the National Academy of Medicine

3:30 – Faculty Senate Office Director’s Report – The FSO Director introduced our new FSO Coordinator Eric Vandenberghe to his first SACUA meeting. whose first day of work.

- The office is working to update the Faculty Senate website.
- The retreat planned by the FSO was a great success
- The FSO Director spoke to the Provost’s Office requesting faculty representation on the Integrated Disability Management (IDM) regarding Work Connections.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

3:35 -- SACUA, Senate Assembly, and Senate Assembly Committee Communication. After discussion, SACUA approved the following motion:

- SACUA liaisons can communicate anything that occurs in SA committees in executive session to SACUA in executive session, and vice versa. – Executive Session

3:55 – Discussion of President Ono’s announcement of the new Office of Ethics, Integrity, and Compliance. – Executive Session

4:15 – Guests – Faculty Ombuds – Robert Ortega and Michelle Hannoosh – Executive Session

5:00 -- Discussion of UM Flint Transformation and the Regent’s Meeting / Matters Arising – Executive Session

5:00 Adjournment -- The meeting adjourned at 5:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Deirdre D. Spencer
Secretary

University of Michigan Bylaws of the Board of Regents, Sec. 5.02:
Governing Bodies in Schools and Colleges
Sec. 4.01 The University Senate

"...[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 polices 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."

Rules of the University Senate, the Senate Assembly and the Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs:

Senate: "In all cases not covered by rules adopted by the Senate, the procedure in Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed."

Assembly: "The Assembly may adopt rules for the transaction of its business. In appropriate cases not covered by rules of the Assembly, the rules of the University Senate shall apply."

SACUA: "The committee may adopt rules for the transaction of its business."