AGENDA

April 17, 2017
Monday, 3:15
Forum Hall
Palmer Commons

3:00 Meet and Greet and Eat

3:15 Call to Order/Approval of Agenda and Minutes/Announcements

3:20 Athletics Guests: Ketra Armstrong (FAR), Anne Curzan (APC Chair) and Yago Colas (COIA)

4:15 Tri-Campus Task Force Report: Robert Ortega

4:40 Senate Assembly Committee Chairs' Reports

4:45 Possible SRAC Resolution

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RESOLVED, that Senate Assembly supports developing centralized education for instructors and faculty to raise awareness of physical and mental health issues facing students, and knowledge of supportive resources on campus, to promote accessibility, self-care and school-life balance

4:50 Immediate Past Chair Resolution

MOVED, that an immediate past SACUA chair position be established to ensure institutional memory preservation and continuity. If not a current member, the position will be non-voting ex-officio and awarded research funds of $3,000. Additionally, the SACUA chair will be awarded the same $3,000 research funds as ordinary members.

4:55 Final Remarks of the Chair: William Schultz

5:00 Matters Arising

5:05 Adjournment
The resolution was emended to read:

The University faculty governance supports a policy that allows all members and visitors to our campus to use bathrooms consistent with their gender identity.

The amended measure was unanimously approved.

3:53 Quorum Rules

Chair Schultz introduced the motion

**Current:**
The members of the Senate in any school or college may provide for the designation of one or more alternates to serve at any meeting or meetings of the Assembly in place of any member of that school or college who is unable to attend. Any such alternates so provided shall be elected.

**Proposed addition to the last sentence:** …or appointed from senate members of the same unit by the replaced Assembly member at least 24 hours prior to the Assembly meeting by notifying facultysenateoffice@umich.edu.

The measure was passed unanimously passed.
3:55 SACUA Election Including Candidate Statements

Professors Beatty; Eaton, Ellis, Gailus, Malek and Marsh delivered statements. Professor Beatty submitted her statement electronically (she is on sabbatical in New Zealand).

4:26: nominations closed

Professors Beatty (25 votes), Malek (18 votes), and Marsh (19 votes) were elected
Athletics

Ketra Armstrong
Anne Curzan
Yago Colas
Tri Campus Task Force

• Tom Wrobel – Flint
• John Ellis – Flint
• Gerry Moran – Dearborn
• Natalia Czap – Dearborn
• Rebecca Cunningham – Ann Arbor
• Robert Ortega – Ann Arbor (Chair)
Committee Chair Reports

GCAC:

There were no formal motions or resolutions on agenda items, and the Committee did not prepare formal minutes of these meetings. Meetings held: Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Feb 10, and March 17

Topics of discussion:
• Conditions in University business agreements that might affect Privacy Rights
• Asking prospective students about criminal records and prospective employees about prior salaries
• Impact on university community of possible changes in Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Policy, Changes in Immigration Policies, and Concept of “Sanctuary” Jurisdictions
Committee Chair Reports

CERAC:

...In subsequent meetings, discussions tended to devolve again into constituent areas, Communications, Government Relations and Development. While there was obvious overlap and synergy in certain cases, the chair believes this committee is rather large and cumbersome. We can seem to get two of the groups closely involved in discussions, but that usually leaves one of the VPs with limited input. There was a suggestion that we either meet in subsets of the entire group or meet more frequently, or hold longer meetings. The second suggestion was not met with enthusiasm since it has been difficult to get all of the committee members at the meetings we have had, let alone trying more meetings. Also, there was little appetite for longer meetings.

In summary, it is the chair’s opinion that this committee should be redvided into two or possibly three. Perhaps Government Relations and Communications could continue as a single committee, but I think that Development would be better served if they were supported by their own committee.
Committee Chair Reports

ITC Prelim Report:

Meeting Dates:

Mon 10/31/16 Organization
Mon 11/28/16 Andrew Rosenberg, UMHS CIO
Mon 01/30/17 Grad Students (S. Husain, A Kalinin)
Mon 02/27/17 Sol Bermann & Jack Kufahl
Mon 03/27/17 Internal UMich Cloud discussion
Mon 04/24/17 Kelli Trosvig / Scott Williams
Committee Chair Reports

AEC:

On February 27 prepared for the winter 2017 survey by adopting the following questionnaire changes:

1) The President’s questionnaire now includes: “The President actively provides leadership in promoting diversity, equity and inclusion across the University.”

2) Because of centralization of research administration, the prior chair Q13 question on research support has been moved to the large-school dean’s questionnaire and reworded accordingly: “My college / school provides excellent support for research grant submission and management” (already Q13 on small-school dean’s questionnaire).

3) Opinion of Ann Arbor faculty questions deleted from previous year’s survey:
   
   o Q11/Q12 – awareness and approval of AST
   o Q19 – approval of course evaluation scores release
   o Q21 – Assembly motion on Friday classes to deter alcohol abuse
   o Q23 – Use of online education by UM students

4) Revised Ann Arbor faculty opinion questions:
   
   o Q2 – replace “CTools” with “Canvas”

5) New Ann Arbor faculty opinion question topics:
   
   o Satisfaction with CRLT services          o Satisfaction with the Advance Program
   o Awareness of faculty grievance procedures   o Use of MHealthy
   o Awareness of International Center services   o Public safety concerns at UM
   o Support of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion initiative   o Growth of non-tenure-track faculty
   o Weighting of public outreach in promotion/raises   o Eagerness to do public outreach
Committee Chair Reports

CIU:

Meetings
Sept. 30 – Focus on issues that pertain to faculty.
Oct. 21 – Post-Doc Programs, contacted Robert Sellers
Nov. 4 – met with Robert Sellers regarding DEI’s new program of Post-Doctoral Fellows, which aims to diversify the faculty, asking questions and making suggestions regarding implementation.
Dec. 1 – met with Tabbye Chavous, Director of NCID, and Elizabeth Cole, Associate Dean of LSA, regarding the implementation of DEI’s new program of Post-Doctoral Fellows
Feb. 1 –
April 21 –
Committee Chair Reports

BFIC:

Met once. Couple of key points:

-- That we must identify a meaningful executive contact to whom we report. Otherwise, we seemed to all agree we'd just be whistling in the wind.

-- Although big issues should not be ignored by the BFIC, it would be productive to look for some 'low-hanging fruit' that we might focus on in the first year of the committee.

Regarding the second point, it was noted on Weds that the University does have a master plan with regard to physical plant development. We really should become very knowledgeable about this plan. I hope that in our next meeting or two we have a chance to have someone involved with implementing the plan talk to us about it.
Committee Chair Reports

No Committee Reports Received:

AAAC  Met monthly. Minutes stop in January
CESF  Met once. No minutes.
FAAC  Met monthly. No minutes
MAAC  Met monthly. Changed Leadership.
RPC   Met monthly. No minutes.
RPP   Did not meet. Did not respond to requests for defining ‘Faculty’
SAC   Did not meet. Faculty Senate meeting with Sally this month.
SRAC  Met Often. Only one set of Minutes
Tenure Did not meet. SACUA considers including Faculty grievances, not just 5.09
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Faculty Chair Final Comments

• Rue that better communication not formed with:
  – Committees
  – Regents

• Happy that:
  – We have more say in Presidential Committees
  – Started Tri-Campus Discussion
  – Leaving gavel in Robert Ortega’s good hands

• Unfinished TODO List
  – Definition of ‘faculty’ and ‘faculty governance’
  – A final meeting with Provost, APG, Regents Mtg
  – Stronger relationship with our FG peers, faculty, Students, GEO...