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## Faculty Senate Minutes, June 17, 2015

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APPROVED Minutes for Faculty Senate Meeting  
Wednesday, June 17, 2015  
3-5pm, 300 Student Center

(\* indicates item to take to department colleagues)

Present: S Norton, P Francis, P Koehn, Z moore, R Hammond, M McVey, M Higbee, R Baier, J Kullberg, M Rahman, S Hayworth, R Quiel, J Eisenbach, D Chou, R Orrange, R Longworth, M Peters, M Evett, A Eydgahi, D Barton, G Peden, A Pawdey, P Trewn, D Foster, D Panciola, K Rusniak,

1. [3 :05] Agenda approval - motion carries (After approval, Peters requests time for addition of current racial issues occurring on this campus. Yes - we can discuss it under Student Issues.
2. [3:10] Approval of minutes from FS meeting, 5/20/15 (see attached). Pay careful attention to attendance to get paid. Jamin had an addition. Strike discussion on BA/BS. P Koehn is handling corrections. Minutes approved with changes.
3. [3:15] Committee Reports
  - a. [3:15] Academic Issues
    - (i) Global Engagement Council (Judith Kullberg & Michael McVey)  
Presentation by J Kullberg - overview of report sent to Provost and FS President. Will be distributed to FS.  
Demand for international education in higher education is growing. US is primary destination.  
Increasingly, regional universities are getting in the game. Can EMU be a player?  
Results:  
Good news: EMU has strong int'l competencies.  
Bad news: EMU is not maximizing competencies. Efforts are not well known and are underfunded, not well coordinated. Enrollment is flat - should be growing. Revenue streams could be positively affected. BOR should care about this.  
Conclusion: EMU is well positioned to undertake coordinated GE efforts. EMU needs an Int'l Center. All of our peer institutions do.  
Gov. Snyder is self-proclaimed most pro-immigrant governor in the US. Created many related state programs.  
Recommendations - EMU needs a senior international officer reporting to the Provost. Comment - Thus far, emphasis has been on faculty led GEC. Council learned that most universities have senior int'l officer, which would give GEC an administrative champion.  
      - (ii) BA/BS faculty input (Sandy Norton)  
The FS president can create a task force by fiat. SN prefers not to work this way. President can also take something off the table. SN is taking this

off the table. Not a debatable motion. Motion seconded. 2 abstentions, 5 opposed, 17 yes. Motion passes.

Kullberg: Motion to create a task force for the purposes of working with the Office of Academic Affairs on a proposal for BA/BS issues. This is not official input. It is merely a way to stay apprised of what the Provost's Office is doing over the summer. Faculty task force membership will be, unfortunately, restricted to those with administrative pay over the summer, due to contract issues. Task force would disappear in September when FS reconvenes.

R Longworth will send her proposal to the Senate.) Sandy tried but email didn't get through. Proposal came to FS on April 1, 2015.

Significant concern was expressed over restriction/composition of task force.

Vote on creation of task force: No-7; Yes- 16; Abstentions-1. Motion passes.

b. [3:50] Athletic Issues (Rob Orrange)

- (i) Letter to the editor: NY Times (Rob Orrange) (see attached)\*

This is a modified version of Sandy's letter to MAC senate presidents and NYT letter to editor. Motion to accept letter and forward everywhere it can possibly be published.

Letter should be honed because it is long for a letter to editor. Sandy and Rob will hone if passed. Passed unanimously with one abstention.

- (ii) COIA statement and Bill HR 275 (attached) \*

Do we want to go on record as supporting this Bill? That is the charge before us now. Motion to support HR 275 passed unanimously.

- (iii) Faculty Senate support for Presidential Commission on college sports \*

c. [4:15] Institutional Issues

- (i) Eastern Experts (Walter Kraft) \* WK is not here. Will be here in September.

- (ii) Canvas (Daryl Barton & Sandy Norton) \*

eCollege asking was extended for a year through June 2016. Cannot teach in it, but can access what's there.

Administration listened. We don't know the cost of the extension, but the Provost says the cost is not prohibitive.

D. Barton reported that Bob Winning (CAS-Biology)

replaced Tom Suchan (CAS) and James Berry (COE)

replaced Toni Stokes-Jones (COE) on the LMS

Implementation Committee (2014-2015). She noted further that the outgoing members served admirably and deserve recognition for a job well done.

- (iii) Education Summit report (Sandy Norton) \* Sandy will skip this item.

- (iv) New Faculty Hires Report (Patrick Koehn) \*
- d. [4:35] Other committee reports \*
- e. Discussion of M Peters concerns - addition to agenda. FS needs to reiterate objections to racial issues. Detroit FP and local news say Huron logo still exists in hidden form. FS passed a resolution on it. Higbee read a proposed motion to reaffirm the existing resolution. Seconded by Peters. Motion passed unanimously. Motion reads:

*The Faculty Senate reaffirms our disappointment with University administrators' decision to put the old EMU stereotypical Hurons logo on the marching band uniforms, twenty-five years after the University wisely dropped the offensive logo. We recommend, once again, that this be removed from band uniforms immediately.*

*The stereotypical image of this logo is emblematic of mid-20th century American racist ideas and has no place in our University today.*

*As long as the Administration declines to remove the logo, Eastern Michigan University will continue to be subject to needless criticism, ridicule, and further protests and negative publicity.*

- 4. [4:40] Provost's Remarks - Provost not present. R Longworth - no remarks
- 5. [4:45] Committee appointments: see attached ballot \*  
 Judicial Appeals Board: Brian Sellers (CAS), Richard Karcher (CHHS)  
 Student Judicial Board: Lolita Cummings Carson(CAS), Michael Barnes (LIB)  
 All other committees were uncontested and adopted by acclamation.  
 Honorary Degrees and Faculty Awards - changed from 4 to 5 members.  
 Faculty Mentoring - Peggy Trewn CHHS  
 Gen Ed Course Vetting - R. Quiel (CAS-Arts)  
 Gen Ed Writing intensive - Genevieve Peden (CAS)  
 Task Force on Developing BA/BS - Sandy Norton, Judith Kullberg, Margaret Crouch, Patrick Koehn  
 U Budget & Resources Cmte - Koehn (CAS) Joe Badics (LIB), Open (CHHS) 1 year replacement for COT
- 6. [4:55] Senate Committee for Evaluation of the Provost \* With Provost acting as both provost and interim president, this process will be put off.
- 7. [5:00] Adjournment 5:10pm

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**The next Faculty Senate Executive Board meeting will be held August 26, 2015 in SC 302, 3-5. The next full Faculty Senate meeting will be held September 16, 2015 in SC 310A from 3-5.**

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