

## APPROVED MINUTES – 4/6/2018

### UNIVERSITY STEERING COMMITTEE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY

Friday, March 2, 2018

The monthly meeting of the University Steering Committee of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (the Committee) was held on Friday, March 2, 2018, at 1 p.m. in 1013 Administration Building. Chair Roy Prouty and the following members were present: Adam Harvey, Gunes Koru, Josh Massey, Emily Moroney, Ashley Waters, and Melody Wright. In addition, the following were present:

- Lisa Akchin, Associate Vice President, Engagement; Assistant to the President
- Leslie Kruger, Executive Administrative Assistant, Institutional Advancement
- Manisha Vepa, Acting speaker of the SGA Senate

#### BUSINESS

##### MINUTES

On motion of Emily Moroney, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

##### WHAT IS SHARED GOVERNANCE?

After a lengthy discussion about shared governance at UMBC, Roy asked each senate to generate a list of committees on which they have representation and bring the list to the April meeting.

##### HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Steering Committee can anticipate action this month.

##### PULSE CHECK

Director of Planning Julianne Simpson has been visiting senates to discuss the repurposing of the Retriever Activities Center.

#### SENATE REPORTS

##### FACULTY SENATE

Gunes reported on behalf of the Faculty Senate.

- Reports
  - Graduate Council
  - Undergraduate Council
- Dr. Susan Sterett, director of the School of Public Policy, introduced masters programs ... trying to increase the number of students.
- Somebody spoke about increasing participation in Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement Day (URCAD), April 25.
- Somebody from the Office of Institutional Advancement spoke about UMBC's first Giving Day, February 28.
- Vote Re Gerontology academic program review
- Africana Studies, third year review
- Philosophy, third year review
- Next time: post baccalaureate certificate on social dimensions of health

#### GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Roy and Adam reported on behalf of the Graduate Student Association (GSA).

- The revised grants policy is still under review.
- Elections will be held April 2.
- Roy commended the Legislative Concerns Committee.

#### NON-EXEMPT STAFF SENATE

Melody reported on behalf of the Non-Exempt Staff Senate (NESS).

- Changes to the bylaws were finalized.
- The group began to discuss goals.
- Some non-exempt staff relayed that they were unfamiliar with their designation as a Responsible Employee and their duties under such designation.

#### PROFESSIONAL STAFF SENATE

Ashley reported on behalf of the Professional Staff Senate (PSS).

- The February meeting was held at UMBC-Shady Grove.
- There was a lengthy discussion about the racial and gender diversity of staff using data provided by the Department of Human Resources.
- A proposed change to the bylaws affects the election process. If passed, the vice president will no longer be a president-elect position, automatically becoming president at the end of the first year. Rather, elections will be held for each of these positions each year. In addition, presidents will be able to serve for more than one term.
- March Meeting
  - Director of Planning Julianne Simpson will be visiting to discuss the repurposing of the Retriever Activities Center.
  - A student representative will be delivering an update on the Truth, Racial Healing Transformation Center.
  - Lisa Akchin will be presenting UMBC brand directions proposals.

#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Josh and Manisha reported on behalf of the Student Government Association (SGA).

- Outreach campaigns for Provelt! and outdoor office hours will be taking place over the next couple of weeks.
- Campus Life is in the final stages of hiring a new assistant director. The incumbent of this position will serve as advisor to SGA.
- Senate Bill 129 is dead this session. It was never cross-filed in the House.
- SGA is also following a contraception-related bill.
- The SGA Senate has formed two new subcommittees: 1) focusing on relationships with SGA alumni; and 2) focusing on relationships and outreach to students.
- SGA elections will be held April 23-25.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Lisa reported on behalf of the President's Office.

- There is no definitive news yet on the budget process.
- At the request of Governor Hogan, President Hrabowski participated in a site visit with Amazon in Montgomery County.

OTHER

There were no other items for discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Committee will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, April 6, 2018, at 1 p.m. The meeting will be held in 1013 Administration Building.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leslie A. Kruger