

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY  
AGENDA FOR THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
MARCH 1, 2017  
Robinson Hall B113, 3:00 – 4:15 p.m.**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of the Minutes of February 1, 2017**
- III. Announcements**
  - Rector Davis
  - Provost Wu
  - Sr. VP Davis
- IV. Committee Reports**
  - A. Senate Standing Committees**
    - Executive Committee*
    - Academic Policies*
    - Budget and Resources*
    - Faculty Matters*
    - Nominations*
      - Nominee to fill vacancy on the Effective Teaching Committee
    - Organization and Operations*
      - Apportionment of Faculty Senate Seats for 2017-18 [Attachment A](#)
      - Minority and Diversity Issues Committee Charge [Attachment B](#)
  - B. Other Committees/Faculty Representatives**
    - Faculty Handbook Revision Committee*
      - Proposed Revisions to Faculty Handbook (second view) [Attachment C](#)
- V. New Business**
- VI. Remarks for the Good of the General Faculty**
- VII. Adjournment**

**Attachment A**

**Apportionment of Faculty Senate Seats for 2017-2018**

**Will be appended to the agenda on Thursday, February 23, 2017**

**Attachment B**

**Minority and Diversity Issues Charge revisions**

**Proposed Revision**

**Minority and Diversity Issues Committee**

**Charge:** To work in concert with the ~~Equity Office, Minority Students Services Office, Office of Compliance, Diversity and Ethics and the Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Multicultural Education (ODIME)~~, other pertinent administrators, and campus organizations in developing and implementing means to ensure nondiscrimination, ~~tolerance~~ **acceptance**, and protection of the rights of all persons affiliated with the University; and to facilitate dialogue among those connected with the University and those in the broader community on matters concerning ~~minority~~ **marginalized** populations and diversity issues.

## Attachment C

### Faculty Handbook Revision Committee Proposed Revisions to the Faculty Handbook Faculty Senate meeting Mar. 1, 2017

The proposed revisions to multiple sections of Chapters 1-3 were presented to the Faculty Senate on Feb. 1, 2017. After discussion during the meeting, the committee made two additional revisions to Sections 1.3.1 and 1.3.3.

Additional changes, indicated in yellow highlight, were made 2/27/17 to accommodate different procedures used in a college.

The revisions text is linked to <http://www.gmu.edu/resources/facstaff/senate/FacultyHandbook/fac-hndbk-rev-2016F2.htm>.

On behalf of the Committee, it is moved

**That the Faculty Senate approve the proposed changes to the Faculty Handbook with no further revisions at this time other than those necessary to correct typographical and grammatical errors.**

[Note: A motion to "refer to the Faculty Handbook Committee with instructions" is in order.]

If the changes are approved by the Faculty Senate, they will be submitted to the Board of Visitors for final approval.

Committee members: Alan Abramson (SSPG), Cynthia Lum (CHSS), Suzanne Slayden (COS)

The 2014 Faculty Handbook can be found at <http://www.gmu.edu/resources/facstaff/handbook/>.