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I. Call to Order

President Fulkerson called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm. The meeting was conducted in person on Monday, 11-April-2022.

II. Roll Call – *via Zoom Reporting*

Members present: *Canter, Vanessa; Caughran, Patricia; Drew, Chasity; Early, OJ; Edwards, David; Finney, David; Fulkerson, Joy; Higgins, Shelly; Hooven, Suzy; Horne, Kathi; Lowe, Trish; Ly-Worley, Barbi; Massey, Candy; Roberson, Veronica; Robinson, David; Robinson, Hazel; Thompson, Brian; Thompson-Joseph, Liz;*

Members absent with permission: *Greene, Cody; Mann, Ronald; McCarty, Don; Moore, Skylar; Murphy, Stefanie; Sawyers, Amanda;*

Members absent: *Abdelnour, Yaritza; Bays, Gwen; Darden, Margaret; Fletcher, Erica; Gosey, Annette; King, Kimberly; Maupin, Crystal; Mayberry, Jennifer; Pritchett, Chanc; Rainbolt, April; Scalf, Christie; Street, Tory; Webb, Cathy; Williams, Alison*

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

We did not have a quorum, so meeting minutes for January, February, March, and April will be discussed at the May meeting.

IV. Treasurer's Report – *David Finney*

1. Accounts balances—no changes, no deposits
 - a. Main Account – \$11,451.72
 - b. Holiday Drive - \$2,627.58
 - c. Community Benevolence Committee - \$2,281.25

V. Guest— *Jeromy Ross, Chief Operating Officer*

1. Discussed construction on campus and presented slides for a better understanding of the various projects:
 - i. New Academic Building—presented on the site analysis; factors such as wind, sun, and green space are taken into account when developing the new building; trying to keep similar architecture—perhaps a Georgian
 - ii. Housing renovations—6-year plan; showed before/after pictures of Penn State, Duke, and William & Mary; we could modernize the buildings by building new or renovating—renovation seems to be the best option



- iii. Lamb Hall should be finished by 2023

VI. President's Report – Joy Fulkerson

1. University Council
 - i. Karen King – was with us last month, deployment partner is being sought; Oracle will go open for Finance and Human Resources in July; be patient with equipment delays
 - ii. Hoff – approval for 125 Chapter 2 report – it was approved and will go to the Board of Trustees on April 22; ensured language in the plan included staff
 - iii. Approved some policies around passenger vans; golf carts – facilities have a couple that can be reserved, only GAs and staff can drive them but not student workers – different units have different policies, so a united policy is being created and will go out for public comment; purchasing policy has been updated
 - iv. Jessica Biden – responsible for ETSU'S website as of April 1st and we will ask her to come to speak to Staff Senate soon; the website is a marketing tool for priority audiences; Bamboo is an advocacy platform that will allow folks to share news happening on campus
2. Dr. Noland's Report
 - i. Highlighted the purchasing policy report (Joy will share)
 - ii. Discussed Open House (yield event)
 - iii. Applications are constant
 - iv. Budget is projected on being down 250 students, se are hoping not to go below this number
3. April Board of Trustees meeting will address tuition/fees
4. Upcoming Events
 - i. ETSU Remembers 4/18
 - ii. Summit Awards 4/19
 - iii. Graduate Awards 4/20
 - iv. Blue and Gold game 4/21
5. Campus Beautification 4/21; Dr. Noland gave permission for folks to be away from their desks for this project
6. Staff awards email will go out soon; May 17th save the date for Staff Picnic
7. Faculty Senate is having its last meeting in two weeks; SGA elections just occurred – you should have received an email with the results
8. Two searches under way for deans for two colleges – Business & Technology and Arts & Sciences



9. Governor's Budget
 - i. There is an increase allowance, but we will not see all of it; monies will be directed to positions that need salary enhancements that will allow ETSU to be competitive in the hiring market
10. The flex working policy is on Jeremy's desk

VII. Committee Reports

Standing Committees

- No reports at this time

Project Committees

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Announcements

- The next Staff Senate meeting will be 9-May with location to be announced.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.