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Meeting Minutes

Staff Senate

11-July-2022 2:30pm – 3:30pm

I. Call to Order

President Fulkerson called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm. The meeting was conducted via Zoom and face-to-face on Monday, 11-July-2022.

II. Roll Call – via Zoom Reporting

Members present: Bays, Gwen; Canter, Vanessa; Caughran, Patricia; Drew, Chasity; Early, OJ; Edwards, David; Finney, David; Fulkerson, Joy; Greene, Cody; Higgins, Shelly; Horne, Kathi; Hooven, Suzy; King, Kimberlyn; Lowe, Trish; Mann, Ronald; Mayberry, Jennifer; McCarty, Don; Moore, Skylar; Roberson, Veronica; Robinson, David; Robinson, Hazel; Sawyers, Amanda; Street, Tory; Thompson-Joseph, Liz; Webb, Cathy;

Members absent with permission: Darden, Margaret; Fletcher, Erica; Gosey, Annette; Ly-Worley, Barbi; Massey, Candy; Maupin, Crystal; Murphy, Stefanie; Rainbolt, April; Thompson, Brian; Williams, Alison

Members absent: Abdelnour, Yaritza;

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

President Fulkerson called for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting.

*We did not have a quorum to pass the previous minutes

IV. Treasurer's Report – David Finney

- 1. Accounts balances
 - a. Main Account \$11,451.72
 - b. Holiday Drive \$2,627.58
 - c. Community Benevolence Committee \$2,281.25

V. President's Report – Joy Fulkerson

- 1. Jane Blackheart will become the new Faculty Senate president.
- 2. ERP implementation is still in process—should secure implementation partner soon
- 3. SACS—Dr. Hoff gave a presentation to University Council, 60-days out from the first submission date, SACS will do an on-campus visit on April 2023
- 4. New Vice Provost was hired, Dr. McCracken, for community engagement
- 5. Dr. Hoff—will present to the board a new set of peer institutions in August; institutions that have similar key indicators as ETSU



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- 6. Exercise Medicine—presentation; TN ranks poorly with mental health, obesity, etc. program will launch in the Fall exercise medicine program; many folks on campus are involved in this implementation
- 7. HURON survey—93% participated, thank you to everyone who participated; anticipate that there will be some streamlining of various positions (i.e., having one central unit for marketing or student life, etc.); a review of the budget model will also be taken into consideration; as this moves forward, we will need to be comfortable with discomfort as things will change as this moves forward
- 8. Dr. Noland-spoke to him about remote policy, parental leave policy,
 - a. We need communication on these policies; draft policies need to be available; a draft for a remote policy was presented, but leadership sent it back for review as the policy was constrictive and we need more flexibility.
 - b. Enrollment is looking good, solid. We projected the budget to be down, ultimately, we think we will be flat; the next few orientations will be important for enrollment
 - c.Housing—is looking good, some students may need to be in hotels during the first few weeks of the semester
 - d. B.J. King will retire in January; no search committee has been formed at this time
- 9. Community Colleges are having a large decline in enrollment; the institution will strategize how we can help with this decline, particularly with our partners at Walter State and Northeast State
- 10. Renovations to Housing will begin in earnest summer of 2023
- 11. Governor has been in the news lately regarding the Hillsdale College comments regarding the value of higher education; Dr. Noland is upset considering he comes from a family of educators—he said we should turn the anger/frustration into action and discussing regarding the value/importance of higher education

VI. Committee Reports

Standing Committees

• No reports at this time

Project Committees

- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Announcements



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X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.