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I. Call to Order

President David Finney called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

II. Attendance

Members present: David Edwards, O.J. Early, David Finney, Suzy Hooven, Rachel Kellogg, Dan Bishop, Cody Morelock, Cody Greene, Shelly Higgins, Vanessa Canter, Liz Thomas-Joseph, Joy Fulkerson, Trish Caughran, Debbie Roach, Veronica Roberson, Benjamin Smith, Stefanie Murphy, Kari Albarado, Candy Massey, Cody Henson, Brooke Garland, Katie Sellers, Aneida Skeens, Kimberly Ferrell, and Amanda Sawyers.

Members absent: Joe Bidwell, Ruth Canter, William Cate, Kathi Horne, Skylar Moore, Donna Nelson-Barnes, Brian Thompson, and Cathy Webb.

III. Updates for Senators

1. In the President's Report, President Finney noted that Faculty Senate held an election, with Dr. Alan Stevens winning the presidency. President Finney said he would meet with Dr. Stevens and the new SGA President in the weeks ahead. President Finney said that Athletics will see changes because of NIL/legislation updates. IT will work over the summer providing technology updates to classrooms, he said. President Finney also said he was optimistic regarding the academic restructure, and he thanked everyone who helped support the Staff Senate Celebration. He also said he hopes to get representatives from Parking Services and Human Resources, respectively, to speak to the Senate.
2. Other updates: Liz Thomas-Joseph (Election Committee) updated the group about the coming Staff Senate election. It will be held after the Fourth of July, and advertising for it will begin in the weeks ahead.

IV. Treasurer's Report

1. There was no financial report.

V. Adjournment: Senator Joy Fulkerson made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Senator Cody Morelock.