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Meeting Minutes

Staff Senate

February 12, 2024 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Vice President Cody Greene called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. The meeting was held via Zoom.

II. Attendance

Members present: Cody Greene, O.J. Early, David Edwards, Cody Morelock, Kathi Horne, Brian Thompson, Debbie Roach, Cathy Webb, Aneida Skeens, Amanda Sawyers, Cody Henson, Elizabeth Thomas-Joseph, Veronica Roberson, Candy Massey, Shelly Higgins, Joy Fulkerson, Suzy Hooven, Dan Bishop, Vanessa Canter, Brooke Garland, Rachel Kellogg, Trish Caughran, Katie Sellers, Kimberly Ferrell, Benjamin Smith, Ruthie Jones, Skylar Moore, Donna Nelson-Barnes.

Members absent: Kari Albarado, Joe Bidwell, William Cate, Joy Hurley, Stefanie Murphy, Ryan Parvin, Dave Robinson, Jeremy Watson.

Absent with permission: David Finney.

III. Approval of January Meeting Minutes

1. Senator Canter made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Senator Thompson.

IV. Updates for Senators

- 1. In the absence of President Finney, Past President Joy Fulkerson gave a range of updates. Some of those included work that is happening on the Academic Structure Task Force; the local SGA concert on Feb. 15; SGA's work with administration on various policies and procedures, including Dula Day of Service; changes related to general education coursework; updates on Voyager, noting that there are many moving parts but that a more modern system would better serve ETSU stakeholders; enrollment, including a note that fall 2024 enrollment generally looked good; updates to the FAFSA, which had been delayed by months.
- 2. Other questions/updates raised by Senators:
 - a. Senator Massey asked about an ombudsman for Staff Senate.
 - b. The Staff Concerns committee met in January and is looking to revamp, particularly with recording and reporting. The committee has discussed many topics, including potential new pay structure.
 - c. Senator Joseph discussed two openings on the Staff Senate.
 - d. Senator Roberson asked for help from all Senators ahead of the Staff Celebration in May.



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e. Vice President Greene reminded everyone that Windows 11 would roll out later this year.

V. Treasurer's Report

- 1. Treasurer Caughran gave a report on current financials.
- **VI. Adjournment:** Senator Thompson made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Senator Massey.