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I. Call to Order

- Chair of Faculty Senate, C.C. Wharram, called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm
- Senators in attendance: Barnard, Chahyadi, Holly, Hugo, Stowell, Wharram, Brantley, Gosse, White, Eckert, Khamisani, N. Shaw, K. Shaw
- Guests: JJ Bullock (DEN reporter); B. Gillespie, Civic Engagement and Volunteerism; Provost J. Gatrell

II. Approval of Minutes.

- Motion (Stowell/Hugo), minor correction by B. White, unanimously approved. K. Shaw abstains
- N. Shaw arrives: 2:03 pm
- Wharram: Provost arriving soon; reminder that Dean searches underway; need to clear room 3pm

III. Committee Reports

- Executive
 - Wharram: will meet 2/3. (I) attended Pacific Institute workshop (Lumpkin College of B&T) on identifying culture and moving forward—fantastic.
 - Stowell: reviewing QIP surveys, thanks to those that participated
- Elections & Nominations
 - Stowell: recruiting replacement for Senator Teshome. One name submitted so far. (24 hrs) long enough?
 - Discussion

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- Holly: given we'd need to wait for another meeting to vote, should move now
- White: maybe we wait and vote by email?
- Motion (Wharram/K. Shaw) to take action on candidate now
 - in favor: Stowell, Gosse, Eckert, K. Shaw, Hugo, Chahyadi, Wharram, Holly
 - against: White, Barnard, N. Shaw, Brantley
 - motion passes 8-4
 - Stowell: candidate is Gopal Periyannan
- Stowell: need to already think about filling next year's vacancies
- Student Senate
 - Khamisani: met last week. Orientation, interviewing senators and committee chairs, reviewing senate speaker nominations. Diversity Action Council week is this week (lots of activities/events). Panther Enrollment Fair a success; dining with Deans event soon
- Student and Staff Relations
 - Brantley: nothing to report. Next meeting 2/12
- Awards Committee
 - N. Hugo: getting Distinguished Faculty Award Committee together
- Faculty Forum
 - White: QIP forum a success. Considering ideas discussed at last meeting (mental health, textbook rental)
 - Wharram: testing accommodation center is now open!
- Budget Transparency
 - Barnard: nothing to report

- Holly: Think Tank had meeting on 1/22; discussing option of dropping SAT/ACT requirement for admissions. Looks like schools (in IL) doing this either highly selective or not selective at all. Issues with class rank (not all high schools report this) and GPA (some students with high GPAs but low ACT/SAT scores). Meeting in Feb will include Josh Norman (enrollment management)
- Gosse: Code of Conduct proposal? (discussed last meeting)
- Wharram: email me your thoughts/ideas *unofficial break*
- Provost J. Gatrell arrives (2:24pm)

IV. Business

- Provost's Report
 - Apologies for missing last meeting (CoE, CLAS Dean searches). Searches will be over/announcements in mid-late Feb. Board of Nursing approved feasibility survey complete, will walk through facilities in July. Thanks to procurement for moving quickly to get instructional material. Moving some of student support services to McAfee, and remodeling, and upgrading computer lab. (I'm) chairing VPBA search, candidates to campus soon; VPSA search underway with Holly chairing. QIP survey results will be coming to my office soon, Stowell will discuss at President's Council. Ten-day enrollment #s not official but really good, expect public release in 24-48 hrs.

V. Adjournment

• Motion (White/N. Shaw) to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Adjourned at 2:44 PM.

**On 1/29 President Glassman asked Faculty Senate to solicit a faculty member to serve on the executive director of information technology services search committee. Via email a motion (Wharram/Stowell) was made to accept our first volunteer, Abidalrahman Moh'd, and the motion carried (2/7) with 13 senators approving (2 did not vote).

Submitted by Senate faculty recorder, D. Holly