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I. **Call to Order:** Faculty Senate President Jared Edwards called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm in HEC 201.

II. **Establishment of a Quorum:** The following members were in attendance: Tammy Blatnick, John Bradshaw, Krista Brooks, Ric Baugher (for Brad Bryant), Lisa Castle, Dayna Coker (at Sayre), Tommye Davis (at Sayre), Sophia Lee (for Stacey DiPaolo), Jerry Dunn, Jared Edwards, Kristin Griffeath, Ryan Haggard, Edna Patatanian (for Tiffany Kessler), Sunu Kodumthara, Ron Koehn, Doug Linder, Jim Long, Scott Long, Kris Mahlock, Tom McNamara, Evette Meliza, Bo Pagliasotti, Cynthia Pena, Linda Pye, Les Ramos, Ann Russell, Lisa Schroeder, Amanda Evert (for Karen Sweeney), Marcy Tanner, Wayne Trail, Muatasem Ubeidat, Trisha Wald and Austin Cantrell (SGA Representative).

III. **Certification of Substitutes:** Edna Patatanian for Tiffany Kessler (Pharmacy), Amanda Evert for Karen Sweeney (Computer Science), Ric Baugher for Brad Bryant (Engineering Technology), Sophia Lee for Stacey DiPaolo (Music)

IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved via a voice vote with no opposition.

V. **Announcements:**

A. President Jared Edwards

1. Executive Council Meeting of 12/7/15

a) *Budget*

(1) We reviewed how budget certification and automatic cuts work

(2) Executive Order—legal status vs. public relations matter

(a) Our goal is to meet the spirit, not necessarily the letter of the order (implications for faculty were discussed)

b) *Private Calendar items—need to show all utilization*

- c) *Online Course Review and CETL*
 - (1) Online course offerings have decreased in last 3 years
 - (2) Process has been necessary for SARA, but is no longer necessary as it stands
 - (a) Review is not sustainable with current staff
 - (b) New review will meet SARA requirements only
 - (c) New online orientation course will reduce faculty requirements
 - (d) Blended courses do not need review (less than 75% online)

2. Administrative Council Meeting of 12/7/15

- a) *Administration 102 is now the International Student Affairs office*
- b) *For our graduates, average debt is \$18,649 (\$64,000 for Pharmacy) with 49% of graduates borrowing*
- c) *Scholarship Application Deadline is March 1st*
- d) *SWIM is Thursday, March 24th*
- e) *Fall Grades are due by Monday, December 21st at 5:00*
- f) *College Success GPA for passers is 2.34 and less than 1.0 for those that fail; 75% of those who pass enroll for the next semester*
- g) *CETL is increasing options for online exam proctoring/monitoring*
- h) *Phone systems will change on Monday, December 21st*
- i) *The provost reiterated the importance of focusing on retention*

3. Meeting with Provost on 12/8/15

- a) *Retention*
 - (1) Efficiency in Remediation (\$400,000 per year potential shift)
 - (2) OLs to Sis for high risk courses (also potential for departmental tutors)

- (3) Advising Initiative
 - (4) Freshman Orientation to new model
- B. Secretary/Treasurer Trisha Wald
 - 1. Roll Sheet—please sign
 - 2. Treasurer’s Report
 - a) *Banc First*
 - (1) November Balance: \$1408.74
 - (2) Current Balance: \$1408.74
 - b) *University Account*
 - (1) November Balance: \$105.01
 - (2) Current Balance: \$105.01
- C. **President-Elect Tom McNamara:** Nothing to report.
- D. **Past President Evette Meliza:** Nothing to report.
- E. **Student Government President Austin Cantrell:** The SGA passed a resolution to recommend changing the name of the student government building to Les Crall Hall and a resolution regarding textbook rental. In addition, SGA President Cantrell fielded questions from the senators regarding students’ opinions on Dead Days being moved to the last three (3) days of the semester.

VI. **Reports from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees:** None.

VII. **Unfinished Business:** None.

VIII. **New Business:**

Faculty Senate Motion 2015-12-01:

- A. Due to concerns stemming from the perception that the Faculty Senate discussion regarding international students has resulted in no specific action, it is proposed the Faculty Senate authorize the following actions in given order:
 - 1. The President of the Faculty Senate shall seek specific information on the current timetable for addressing the successful transition of international students.

2. If there is no clear plan and/or timetable to form an advisory board to address these and other major concerns, the President of the Faculty Senate shall request that an advisory board be established as soon as possible.
3. If the university administration does not form an advisory board by January 29, 2016, then the Faculty Senate shall organize an advisory board to analyze concerns and provide recommendations to the administration.

Motion, as amended, passed by a voice vote with no opposition.

IX. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 2:55 by acclamation.

X. **Next meeting:** Friday, January 29, 2016.