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Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Minutes of Meeting #27 December 19, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

a. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) meeting was called to order at 10:23 a.m. in Room 463 Fascitelli Engineering Building by Chair Nassersharif. Vice Chair Echevarria, Senators Gindy, Barbour, and Morokoff were in attendance. Senator Hicks was not in attendance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. FSEC meeting # 26 December 13, 2019 Minutes are pending approval.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS

- a. Chair Nassersharif reported on the meeting he and Vice Chair Echevarria attended with the President on Tuesday, December 17, 2019.
 - i. Chair Nassersharif updated the President on the progress on issues of graduate school governance.
 - ii. The topic of suspension of programs was also discussed. Currently, the President has sole and complete authority to suspend programs; alternative models were discussed.
 - iii. The selection of Board of Trustees is moving forward, and a January announcement is expected.
 - b. Chair Nassersharif received information of a member of Dean Riley's Administrative Evaluation Committee who has not been able to attend the meetings. The Chair will reach out to the individual. The Committee made recommendations for a replacement if necessary.
 - c. Discussion and recommendations for possible candidates for the Chair position for LOOC (Learning Outcomes Oversight Committee) were made. The Committee will consult with the Faculty Senate Coordinator to determine if any appointments have come from the colleges to fill their vacancies.
 - d. The Coordinator's report informed the committee that the moving date of the Faculty Senate Office was scheduled for January 8, 2020. Coordinator Benz will prepare a budget for office items needed for the new space in Pastore 244.

4. ONGOING ITEMS

- a. Math Department
 - i. The Chair explained that a request came in from the Math department for a FSEC member to be on the RFP Math Placement Committee. Discussion ensued, a motion

was made that the FSEC does not participate in the RFP Math Placement Committee. The Motion was approved. A second motion was made to request the additional information provided to the Council of Deans by the Provost be forwarded to the Executive Committee for further evaluation of the topic. The motion was approved.

- b. FSEC/CBUM proposed Graduate School governance revisions
 - i. FSEC worked on changes and updates to previous revisions.

ADJOURNMENT at 12:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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