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VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT: Boughton

OTHERS PRESENT: Barnhart, Blazey, Boston, Brady, Bryan, C. Douglass, Edghill-Walden, Elish-Piper, Falkoff, Frazier, Ghrayeb, Hendricks, Jensen, Junco, Klaper, McEvoy, Miner, Pitney, Rogers, Saborío, Thu, Walker, Walther, Wesener Michael, Wickens, Wright

I. CALL TO ORDER

NIU President L. Freeman called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

II. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

A quorum was verified.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

T. Arado moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by C. Doederlein. Motion passed.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 2, 2020 MINUTES

T. Arado moved to approve the minutes, seconded by L. Garcia. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. NIU PRESIDENT LISA FREEMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS
VII. ITEMS FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A. Budget report
   Provost Beth Ingram
   CFO Sarah Chinniah

B. Reimagining Shared Governance – reflections and going forward

C. Consideration of NIU Constitution, Article 6.1

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. REPORTS FROM COUNCILS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

A. IBHE Strategic Planning Advisory Committee – Simón Weffer – report

B. Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE – Linda Saborío – report
   IBHE board approves higher education budget requested focused on equity
   IBHE News, January 13, 2021

C. University Advisory Committee to the Board of Trustees – report
   Natasha Johnson, Catherine Doederlein, Kendall Thu
   Katy Jaekel, Sarah Marsh, Greg Beyer

D. Rules, Governance and Elections Committee – no report
   Therese Arado, Chair

E. Student Government Association – report
   Antonio Johnson, President
   Bradley Beyer, Speaker of the Senate

F. Operating Staff Council – Natasha Johnson, President – report

G. Supportive Professional Staff Council – Catherine Doederlein, President – report

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Policy Library – Comment on Proposed Policies (right-hand column on web page)

B. Minutes, Academic Planning Council

C. Minutes, Athletic Board

D. Minutes, Baccalaureate Council
E. Minutes, Board of Trustees
F. Minutes, Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
G. Minutes, Comm. on the Improvement of the Undergraduate Academic Experience
H. Minutes, General Education Committee
I. Minutes, Graduate Council
J. Minutes, Honors Committee
K. Minutes, Operating Staff Council
L. Minutes, Supportive Professional Staff Council
M. Minutes, University Assessment Panel
N. Minutes, University Benefits Committee
O. Minutes, Univ. Comm. on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs
P. Minutes, University Committee on Initial Educator Licensure
Q. UC 2020-21 dates: Sep 9, Oct 7, Nov 4, Dec 2, Jan 27, Feb 24, Mar 31, Apr 28
   All 2020-21 UC meetings will be held via Microsoft Teams. The Teams meeting link and the
   agendas will typically be sent via email on the Friday preceding the UC meeting.
R. Approved 2030-31 academic calendar

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

H. Nicholson moved to adjourn, seconded by T. Arado. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.