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Billy Clow, Interim Provost; Betsy Perabo, Parliamentarian

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Audrey Adamson, Julia Albarracin, Denny Barr, Brian Bellott, Steve Bennett, Mark Bernards, Tom Blackford, Angela Bonifas, Dan Brown, Charlie Chadwell, Craig Conrad, Cody Cornell, Dennis DeVolder, Francis Godwyll, Everett Hamner, Buzz Hoon, Dave Hunter, Sue Martinelli-Fernandez, Kristi Mindrup, Russ Morgan, Lorette Oden, Boris Petrocovici, Renee Polubinsky, Christopher Pynes, Jim Schmidt

I. Consideration of Minutes

A. March 8, 2022

II. Announcements

A. Approvals from the Provost

1. Requests for New Courses
 - a. PHYS 464, Introduction to Materials Science, 3 s.h.
 - b. PHYS 472, Experimental Techniques in Materials Science, 3 s.h.
2. Request for New Option
 - a. Materials Science
3. Request for Change of Major
 - a. Health Services Management
4. Request for New Minor
 - a. Sustainable Business
5. Request for WID Designation
 - a. HS/NUTR 408, Community Nutrition and Health Program, 3 s.h.

B. Provost's Report

Interim Provost Clow apologized for the late notice on the WIU homepage announcing that a

Affairs and the School of Agriculture to discuss projects they have been working on to address agricultural equity and food insecurity across the state. Her visit will also include meeting with student constituents. Interim Provost Clow told senators the Lt. Governor will spend almost the entire day at WIU, arriving at 11 a.m. and staying through the afternoon.

United States Representative Cheri Bustos will visit the Quad Cities campus on Wednesday, April

SGA representatives recently held a campus safety walk with Office of Public Safety Director Derek Watts. Earlier, SGA had expressed concerns about some lights being out around the campus and that there were not enough security cameras in certain spots.

SGA recently passed a land acknowledgement act, which acknowledges WIU's debt to all those who in the past inhabited lands on the university's campuses. Anyone wanting a copy of the bill can request it from Mr. Cornell.

Mr. Cornell told senators that SGA has been very involved in plans for the university's upcoming spring commencement ceremony. He expressed SGA's appreciation that the event will be returning to its normal tradition of being held in Western Hall.

SGA has been discussing how to use the approximately \$50,000 in technology funding in a way that will benefit students. Mr. Cornell related that there have been several suggestions for using the money in the Student Organization C2ton C26 (i)-e4b4/8 (t)-4.6 (he0912.)17.1 (one)-1 su hay thes hl6 (l)-4.6 (

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1. College of Arts and Science
To nominate Amy Car (Thompson)
2. College of Business and Technology
To nominate Dave Hunter (Hunter)
3. College of Education and Human Services
To nominate Denny Barr (Barr)
4. College of Fine Arts and Communication
To nominate James Land (Land)

There were no further nominations, and the slate of candidates was declared elected.

III. Reports of Committees and Councils

A.

ii. African American Studies

Senator Thompson asked if the African American Studies option will remain if an African American Studies major is created. Parliamentarian Perabo responded that will be up to whatever faculty are hired to support the African American Studies program in the department. She explained the department's plan is to create an option, which in terms of credit hours is as large as a small major – 33 s.h. in African American Studies and 12 s.h. in Liberal Arts and Sciences – so it is a very substantial start. She added that faculty can decide over the next few years if they want to pursue a major, but the department is not committing to that at this point.

Senator Banash remarked he is very happy to see this proposal. Senator Banash said he was on the original

Richard Filipink	(HIST)	replacing	Samson Adeleke	2025	A&S
Jongnam Choi	(EAGIS)	replacing	Denny Barr	2023	At-Large
Angela McClanahan-Simmons (MUSE)		replacing	Tim Waldrop	2025	FA&C

Council on Campus Planning and Usage (CCPU)

Ian Shelly	(ART)	replacing	Amy Ekanayake	2025	At-Large
Craig Whetten	(LIB)	replacing	Anita Hardeman	2025	At-Large

Council on Curricular Programs and Instruction (CCPI)

Amy Burke	(SPA)	replacing	Hadley Kamminga-Peck	2025	FA&C
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Council on General Education (CGE)

Elgin Mannion	(SOC/ANTH)	replacing	Andrea Alveshere	2025	SOC SCI
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retention; graduation; number of degrees awarded by level (undergraduate/graduate); degree of urbanization (which Ms. Bonifas said was not actually used to narrow the pool); and amount of distance education by student level (

that were most like WIU. Senator Polley asked if Professor Hansen's methodology started with 300

Senator Carr asked why the earlier report with the larger list was not accepted by Faculty Senate. Chair Lauer replied there was not a formal report but rather some information that was submitted to the Executive Committee. Former Faculty Senate Chair Christopher Pynes explained that the original peer institution list that is currently on the WIU website was created by former Vice President for Quad Cities and Planning Joe Rives with information from the Higher Learning Commission. He related that a few years ago the Executive Committee wanted to have a better process for creating a peer institution list. He said the problem with the list that the prior ad hoc committee created was not about the process that generated the list of 400 and reduced it to 122; rather, at the end of the Spring 2020 semester there were a lot of complications with Covid, and the committee did not have the opportunity to come together to whittle the list down using sound academic judgment. He recalled the list came to ExCo, but the Executive Committee did not think the report had enough full committee input to bring it forward to the floor of the Senate. Dr. Pynes added that after his term on Faculty Senate ended, this year's Senate created a

