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UNIVERSITY.

Members Present: Chetara Epps, Candace Carter-Stevens, Julius Ikenga, Shelly Garllote, Latonzia Evans, and Zainul Abedin

Location: Microsoft Teams

Time: 11:00am

Date: May 2, 2023

- ✚ The meeting was called to order at 11:30am with opening remarks by Dr. Epps.

- Dr. Epps asked the Senators if they have read the emeritus status information sent via email on April 13, 2023. Some of the Senators have not read the information, therefore, it was sent again. Once everyone reads and understands the information then we will discuss it more in-depth.

- Dr. Epps discussed the faculty handbook and stated that the deadline of April 28th has passed for the general faculty to suggest additions and/or omissions. There were only a few remarks in the faculty handbook; therefore, Dr. Epps stated that Faculty Senate will not share the handbook again because the faculty had plenty of opportunities to read and make suggestions. Dr. Ikenga stated that we must share the handbook with the general faculty for ratification. We all agreed to share it again so that it will be discussed at the full faculty meeting.

- We discussed facilitating a full faculty meeting on August 15, 2023, at 11am. If the University has an orientation scheduled for that date, then we will reschedule the meeting to another day during that week.

- The 2023-2024 Academic Calendar was also discussed and compared to the Delta State University calendar.

- Dr. Carter-Stevens suggested that we could provide \$10 Chic-Fil-A gift cards to faculty members as a token of appreciation but we will need to research the number of faculty employed at the university so we will know if there is enough funding.

- The next meeting will be in August 2023.

- Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

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