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I. Chancellor's Remarks.

Chancellor Johnson gave the following remarks, “Where to begin…spring; madness; events; concerts; athletics; world touch cultural heritage week. How DO we keep up with ourselves? My advice is to pace yourselves.

It is also the season of visitors—those folks who are terrified to come here during the winter, will indeed travel once the snow melts—and of course we are as always pleased and hospitable when they arrive.

Highlights of those visits: President Kaler visits on the 14th of April, with multiple opportunities for students and faculty and staff to meet with and welcome him. Also a celebration in town at the Historical Museum to honor our Carnegie classification as an engaged campus/engaged community with President Kaler in attendance.

Jeff Backer, from Browns Valley, our new representative to the Minnesota house was on campus today. He took time during their break to get to know us better and to learn how he could best advocate for us.

President Kaler’s State of the University address will take place on Thursday, April 2, please join us in HFA or if you are in the Twin Cities, at Coffman. One of the new regents, Tom Anderson from Alexandria, will actually be here on campus for that event—when I met him last week in the Twin Cities he said he would prefer to hear the address here, rather than in the Twin Cities, so I think we will have a strong regental advocate in his person. He’ll be here and we will host a small reception after President Kaler’s remarks for him so you can meet him and help him learn about the campus.

Finally, thanks so much to those of you, students, staff, faculty, who have taken the time to advocate for the university’s budget request—letters, postcards, and visits. Legislators always mention that when I meet with them and speak about how impressed they are with the campus, our mission, and those who represent it.”

II. For Action. From the Steering Committee. Minutes from 2/25/15 Campus Assembly meeting approved as presented. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

III. Old Business.

A. For Action. From the Student Affairs Committee. Revised Student Leadership Eligibility Policy. Motion passed by voice vote.

IV. New Business.

A. For Action. From the Membership Committee. Elections.

The following were elected to the Steering Committee:

Vice Chair: Jon Anderson
P&A: Jennifer Zych Herrmann
Students: Ellery Wealot, Mitch Forney

The following were elected to the Membership Committee:

Faculty: Nancy Carpenter, Roger Rose
P&A: Chris Dallager
USA: Jodi Sperr
Students: Sophie Derbes, Colin Wray

The following were elected to the Consultative Committee:

Faculty: Ted Pappenfus
P&A: Kelly Asche
Parliamentarian: Tim Lindberg

B. **For Action. From the Functions and Awards Committee.** Scholar of the College nominations approved as presented with minor editorial corrections. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

C. **For information and discussion. From the Constitution Review Ad Hoc Committee.** Proposed changes. The presentation is attached to these minutes.

Michael Korth expressed concern about the proposal that the FCC rep be removed as a member of Steering and be given a role with Consultative. Just because the names are similar does not mean the Morris Campus Consultative Committee and the all-University Faculty Consultative Committee (FCC) have similar responsibilities or powers. Our Steering Committee is a much closer parallel to FCC than the Morris Consultative Committee. The list of responsibilities for the Morris Consultative Committee bears almost no resemblance to the FCC charge. Nancy Carpenter agreed that in terms of parallelisms, it makes sense to have the FCC rep on the Steering Committee.

**Motion was made to extend Campus Assembly meeting by 5 minutes.** Motion died for lack of a second. Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.