Call to order

Approval of the minutes of December 5, 2013

Report of the Executive Committee

Remarks by the Chancellor

Scheduled remarks:
   1. Susan Wente and John Geer, Strategic Planning Co-Chairs

Old Business
   1. Motion submitted by Senators Mike Mihalik, Joel Tellinghuisen, and Myrna Wooders

Good of the Senate

Adjournment

**Voting Members present:** Anderson, A., Anderson, K., Barnes, Barth, Berk-Seligson, Brady, Clark, Delpire, Dever, Driskill, Gokhale, Greer, Hemingway, Hurder, Johnson, R, Johnston, Jade, Kennedy, Lim, Lind, Marcus, Mihalik, Nanney, Norman, Powers, Price, Ramanujam, Rohde, Schoenfield, Slayton, Steiger, Tarpley, Tellinghuisen, Tsinakis, Wehby, Wittig, Wooders, and Wright.

**Voting Members absent:** Bachorowski (regrets), Balser, Benbow, Blume, Cannon, Creech (regrets), Enterline, Fauchet (regrets), Fogo (regrets), Fountain (regrets), Gigante, Guelcher (regrets), Guthrie (regrets), Hall, D. (regrets), Hasty, Johnson, E., Johnson, J., Kirshner, Maroney (regrets), Mulvaney, Niswender (regrets), Ramsey (regrets), Reside, Smrekar, Spottswood, Townes, Wait, Watters (regrets), Wayman, Willis, Wright-Rios, and Ziegler (regrets).

**Ex Officio Members present:** Anderson, A., Bandas, Cyrus, Dowell, Fife, Fortune, Hall, A., Lutz, March, McCarty, Miller, Raiford, Stalcup, Wcislo, Wente, Zeppos.

**Ex Officio Members absent:** Bernard (regrets), McNamara, Sweet, and Williams.
Call to order

Chair Brady called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm. Senator Myrna Wooders noted that business was adjourned during the last meeting rather than the end of a session, and therefore the motion that was being considered then should be first on the agenda according to Robert’s Rules of Order. Chair Brady stated that the Senate’s Rules of Order supersede Robert’s Rules of Order, and by the Senate’s Rules, there is a fixed agenda for each meeting which includes old business coming after scheduled presentations. Chair Brady also said that his interpretation of Robert’s Rules of Order meant that further discussion of the motion that was being discussed when the prior meeting was adjourned was to continue during the old business portion of the meeting and not at the beginning of the meeting. Parliamentarian Alex Hurder agreed with this interpretation of the rules. As such, Chair Brady held that the agenda of the meeting would continue as initially planned and there was no formal motion to change the agenda.

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Chair Brady asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Report of the Executive Committee

Chair Brady gave the report of the Executive Committee:

The Executive Committee has had regular meetings with university leadership and discussed with them the plans for the Provost search and the strategy/timeline for filling the Provost and Dean of Arts and Science positions. The Executive Committee received an update from the Senate subcommittees as to their progress in working through their charges. The Executive Committee discussed the issue of information breaches and worked to gain a better understanding of the University’s vetting process for third party vendors. The Executive Committee discussed a Senate Affairs proposal for enhancing the communication between university standing committees and the faculty senate and also a proposed Senate Affairs survey through VIRG about communication trends and opportunities between the Faculty Senate and the faculty at large. The Executive Committee also discussed potential speakers for the Spring Faculty Assembly, and Daniel Sharfstein (Law) accepted the EC’s invitation to speak at the Spring Faculty Assembly. The Executive Committee discussed a proposal for Vanderbilt to participate in a COIA (Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics) survey on sports-related concussions. The Executive Committee discussed future meeting agendas. No actions taken at Executive Committee meetings.

Remarks by the Chancellor

Chancellor Zeppos gave his report.
Scheduled remarks:
   1. Susan Wente and John Geer, Strategic Planning Co-Chairs

Susan Wente and John Geer, Strategic Planning Co-Chairs gave their presentation, an update to the Senate of the progress of the University Strategic Planning process.

Old Business
   1. Motion submitted by Senators Mike Mihalik, Joel Tellinghuisen, and Myrna Wooders

Chair Brady reminded everyone that there was still an open question on the floor from the last regular meeting of the Faculty Senate. He limited discussion to twenty minutes.

Motion: That the Faculty Senate recommend allowing academic year faculty to choose between a nine-month salary schedule and a twelve-month salary schedule, and that this choice be allowed all new and current academic year faculty.

After discussion had ended, there was a motion to call the question for a vote. Paper ballots were handed out, and the vote was tallied. The motion did not pass—the vote was 15 for, 15 against, and 3 abstentions.

New Business

There was none.

Good of the Senate

There was none.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:31pm.