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Meetings (First Friday of the Month) 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Location: CASE 134, BALA 276 and NSM 112.

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Whittle in CASE 134 at 3:04 p.m. on November 2, 2018. There was Zoom access in Tahlequah to Broken Arrow 276 and Muskogee 201.

- I. Call to Order: 3:04 p.m.
- II. Quorum Check: A quorum was present.
- III. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed. Posted
<http://offices.nsuok.edu/facultycouncil/FacultyCouncilHome.aspx>
- IV. Old Business Items:
 - A. **Tailgating for Home Games**
Saturday's Staff & Faculty Tailgate Party for last home football game/



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A motion was made and seconded for the meeting to be paused to accommodate the visit from Phyllis Chappelle. The motion passed.

Guests (Time is typically set aside for administrators who wish to address the council):

Phyllis Chappelle - Human Resources, Open Enrollment

Open enrollment has been postponed but will be available next week (likely Wednesday, November 7) and an e-mail with step-by-step directions will be sent out when the system is ready for enrollees. The enrollment process will take 20-30 minutes to sign up and complete and beneficiaries will be needed when enrolling.

As a reminder, there used to be three plans and there are now five. The dental plan remains the same. There are expanded opportunities for vision care. The "submit" button is the verification/signing process, no signature is required. Because of the delayed start in enrollment, we will be informed if the deadline will be pushed back.

A motion was made and seconded for the meeting to resume. The motion passed.

V. New Business Items

- A. Supporting student athletes and performers
 - 1. Other athletic event schedules available at <https://goriverhawksgo.com/>
 - 2. College of Liberal Arts upcoming events, shared in Google Drive.

VI. Committee and Standing Reports:

- A. Faculty Welfare Committee: John (Chair)
- B. Faculty Awards Committee: Renee (Chair)
April ?, 2019, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. with a luncheon provided.
- C. Ad hoc Strategic Plan Committee: Sarah (Chair)
- D. Ad hoc Budget Committee: Sarah (Chair)
- E. HawkTalks: Pamela Louderback (Chair)
<https://offices.nsuok.edu/facultycouncil/HawkTalks.aspx>



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The final HawkTalk of the Fall semester will be Tuesday, November 27, at 3:00 p.m. in Bagley 101 presented by Dr. Mia Revels.

F. University Committee Reports

Delegate Foster shared that the University Curriculum Committee met last week and all items on the agenda passed.

Date(s) to Remember

Fall 2018 commencement exercises will be held in the NSU Event Center on the Tahlequah campus on **Saturday, December 15**, at the following times:

- **9:30 a.m.** - College of Business & Technology and College of Liberal Arts
- **1:30 p.m.** - College of Education & College of Science & Health Professions

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 3:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Burkhead Whittle, Secretary/Treasurer,
November 5, 2018