

## Staff Advisory Committee March 29, 2018

**Members Present:** Sherri Allen, Elizabeth Clemons, Barbara Fenlon, Jerry Keeton (Chair), Toni Nelson, Alan Robbins

**Others Present:** Leslie Crickenberger (Resource Person) Phil Oldham, Logan McCormick

**Agenda Items:** Chairman Keeton called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the President's Conference Room. Minutes from the January 11, 2018 meeting were distributed in advance. Chairman Keeton asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Barbara Fenlon made the motion and Elizabeth Clemons seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Keeton asked President Oldham for comments. President Oldham updated the committee on the campus improvements and building renovations. He stated there were at least 7 different construction fences up around campus indicating many projects are successfully underway. He indicated the projects are close to the 160 million dollar mark, which could be the highest simultaneous dollar amount dedicated to campus improvements and renovations to date, certainly the largest scope in regards to projects since the 60's.

President Oldham added that the legislative session is wrapping up and will have more on the FY 2019 budget soon as Dr. Stinson and her team are currently working its finalization. Tennessee Tech was at the top of the LGI (Locally Governed Schools) according to the legislature. The assembly will award the university around \$3 million. President Oldham also stated students will see a 2.6% tuition increase effective in the fall semester. This would be the lowest percentage increase in 10-15 years. TTU is rapidly approaching a stable area in regards to tuition increases.

President Oldham updated the group on a projected 2.5% pay increase to be distributed in conjunction with the yearly performance evaluations. This increase is a historical first, in that this is the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of salary increases for employees.

President Oldham asked the committee

(Performance Improvement Plan) w A pus police now  
es. She indicated there were some  
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irectly affects her current parking  
university police department; parking  
addressing issues raised by all  
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ed to have Libby reach out to Sherri

Barbara Fenlon commented she has received feedback from the community on parking availability on campus. She indicated others in the community have expressed concern that it appears TTU does not care if community members visit the campus due to such limited visitor parking. President Oldham expressed TTU is a very supportive community partner. The university's priority with parking on campus is for students, faculty and staff first. If community representatives are coming to campus, the departments hosting those representatives are able to issue parking permits for those visits and

depr coordinate parking requests with University