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**Report of Faculty Council Meeting (Special Meeting)
April 14, 2021**

Faculty Council Members Present:

Brad Hull	Marc Lynn	Sokchea Lim	Joanna Garcia	Deniz Durmus	Desmond Kwan	Jeff Dyck
✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
Christopher Sheil	Elena Manilich	Mark Waner	Medora Barnes	Mina Chercourt	Malia McAndrew	Angie Canda
			✓	✓		✓
Colin Swearingen	Karen Gygli	Brent Brossmann	Sejung Park	Bo Liu	Gerald Guest	Yi Shang
✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Kristen Tobey	Earl Spurgin	Zeki Saritoprak				
✓	✓	✓				

1. Approve payment for Benesch (\$5,405)
 - Faculty will get written recommendation about how to respond to the contract tomorrow.
 - There is extremely limited case law on this—two cases tangentially related to ours. One of them deals with the words “respond by”—responses may come in a variety of forms.
 - Spurgin moved to make the payment; Barnes seconded; 16 yes, 0 no.
 - We need to keep encouraging people to donate to the Faculty Legal Fund
 - As of today Faculty Legal Fund has a balance of \$16,322; Shang still has 3 checks (\$300 in total) to be deposited.

2. Discussion about the town hall meeting held by the executive vice president:
 - In light of remarks made at this meeting concerning faculty leadership, there is suggestion that FC pass a resolution in the fall to praise the president of FC and the Faculty Handbook Committee for their leadership.

3. Change to the transfer credit policy

- UCEP just voted to make major changes to the transfer credit policy. JCU has been perceived as transfer unfriendly relative to other schools. In light of this, UCEP is asking for an urgent review of their new policy with the hope that it can be in place for Fall 2021.

- The specifics of the proposal are:
 - 50% of the major be completed at John Carroll
 - Minimum of 30 credits completed at John Carroll (including the Transfer core)
 - Maximum of 60 credits coming from 2-year institutions

- Barnes moved to send the change to the full faculty to be voted on, Marc Lynn seconded, 16 yes, 0 no.