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HANSEN: Good afternoon, welcome to the Executive Board. My name is Senator Ben Hansen. I represent the 16th Legislative District, and I serve as chair of the Executive Board. For the purpose of noting attendance, I would ask members of the committee to introduce themselves, starting on my right with Senator Clements.

CLEMENTS: Rob Clements, District 2.

McKINNEY: Terrell McKinney, District 11.

BALLARD: Beau Ballard, District 21.

BOSTAR: Eliot Bostar, District 29.

IBACH: Teresa Ibach, District 44.

FREDRICKSON: John Fredrickson, District 20.

ARCH: John Arch, District 14.

JACOBSON: Mike Jacobson, District 42.

HANSEN: OK. So, the one-- I think is the only thing, right? Yep, there's-- the one thing I wanted to bring up was-- which many of you might already be fam-- have heard of already, was the vote that we took on State-Tribal Relations Committee. We-- I think we had nine people running for it, and we voted in eight. We had eight, but we voted in seven. Thank you. And Machaela Cavanaugh put in a letter and agreed to resign from the state tribal's relation [SIC]. And then, in place, we would-- Glen Meyer would then take her place. Glen Meyer, I think, has probably one of the largest reservations in his district, something I probably should have mentioned when we were voting on this. That'd be my, my, my fault. And so, what, what we will have to end up doing is-- do you just want to mention it to everybody, so, you know--

BENSON WALLACE: So, it'd be a motion to reconsider the vote and the original slate of who wanted to be on [MALFUNCTION] committee there. However with the letter of [MALFUNCTION] Cavanaugh's, I [MALFUNCTION] should be able to just [MALFUNCTION].

HANSEN: Senator Bostar.

BOSTAR: Thank you, Chair. Why-- with, with a member of the committee resigning, why don't-- why couldn't we just fill that one seat? Which

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is what we would normally do if someone like, left the Legislature, or-- I mean, we've historically just-- we don't-- we tend not to have to reconsider the whole vote for everybody on the committee. We just-- there's a vacancy because Senator Cavanaugh resigned, and there's only one person that wants that spot. I mean, that, that can be just a vote of acclamation to put Meyer on, in that case.

HANSEN: Clerk, do you want to [INAUDIBLE] up here and fill us in a little bit [INAUDIBLE] need to.

BRANDON METZLER: Brandon Metzler, B-r-a-n-d-o-n M-e-t-z-l-e-r. I had recommended to legal counsel and the chair that you do reconsider, just because we had just read across the report, and-- within your legislative journal, I know in past, you have just re-appointed somebody, but because of the fact that you read that report in last week, the, the Journal will not show that Senator Machaela Cavanaugh resigned. So the hope was, by reconsidering it here, the new report will get read across. There's-- you know, that you reconsidered the vote and that you approved the new slate. There's some legislative history there created, in terms of that change occurring. Because like I said, the Journal won't ever show that she resigned, so.

JACOBSON: Mr. Chairman, I'd move to reconsider the vote on the Tribal Relations Committee appointments.

BOSTAR: Question for clarification.

HANSEN: Senator Bostar.

BOSTAR: So is it a-- do we, do we vote on whether or not we will reconsider? Or, is-- and then we reconsider it after that fact?

HANSEN: I guess there's two votes we can take

BOSTAR: OK. Thank you. Second.

JACOBSON: Thank you.

HANSEN: OK. Is there a motion and a second. Any further discussion? Seeing none, roll call.

DIANE JOHNSON: Speaker Arch?

ARCH: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Ballard?

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BALLARD: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Bostar?

BOSTAR: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Dorn? Senator Fredrickson?

FREDRICKSON: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Hansen?

HANSEN: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Ibach?

IBACH: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator Jacobson?

JACOBSON: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Senator McKinney?

McKINNEY: Yes.

DIANE JOHNSON: Motion carries.

BOSTAR: If we have the exact number of people interested that match it, I would move the slate by acclamation.

BALLARD: Second.

HANSEN: OK. There's been a motion and a second to approve the slate. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed, say nay. So moved.

BALLARD: Motion to adjourn.

HANSEN: Motion to adjourn. Is there a second?

FREDRICKSON: Second.

HANSEN: All those in favor say aye. Thank you.