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March14

Speaking to the accomplishments of UNA undergraduate students, Dr. Alexander noted that seven UNA students will be presenting their work at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research at Kennesaw State University. He recognized Dr. Andrea Hunt for her work in achieving the strategic goal of involving UNA students in research. \

Dr. Alexander also mentioned that two, or more, UNA students will be recognized with U.S. Fulbright Student Awards and he credited the work of Dr. Matthew Price and Dr. Joy Borah toward that accomplishment.

He also discussed the upcoming Open Educational Resource workshops and encouraged full faculty participation.

Dr. Alexander reiterated that UNA aims to seek approval to initiate two new Doctoral programs in the following areas of study: EDBA and a Ph.D. in Exercise Science and Health Promotion. UNA looks to have these two new programs approved for delivery in Fall 2020.

Dr. Alexander also discussed the proposed Mitchell Center for Social Inclusion, which is another initiative related to the current UNA Strategic Plan. This proposal will be presented to the Board of Trustees on March 22 for approval and involves the establishment of an academic "center" focused on the study, current research, and theme of diversity and inclusion. The proposed center is the first of its type in the State of Alabama and represents UNA's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

The "One Book" Selection Committee has selected *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice* by Bryan Stevenson.

The topic of micro-credentials was also addressed. Dr. Alexander discussed, in general terms, an initiative to build stackable as well as stand-alone credentials into UNA's offerings.

VI. Remarks from Faculty Senate President Scott Infanger

President Infanger began by discussing an email he shared with the Senate regarding a resolution related to public statements from Shared Governance committees. The Senate Executive Board voted unanimously to present the resolution to the Senate during the April, 2019 meeting. The resolution is in response to a request from some of our faculty colleagues who feel that the roles of the faculty, staff and student senates and the roles of shared governance committees are being misunderstood and misinterpreted to the overall detriment of the shared governance system at UNA. President Infanger requested that senators a

See Appendix C.

The Faculty Senate voted to approve the revised Medical Withdrawal Policy during its February meeting with the caveat that the Registrar's Office not use a "W" grade to denote student's medical withdrawal.

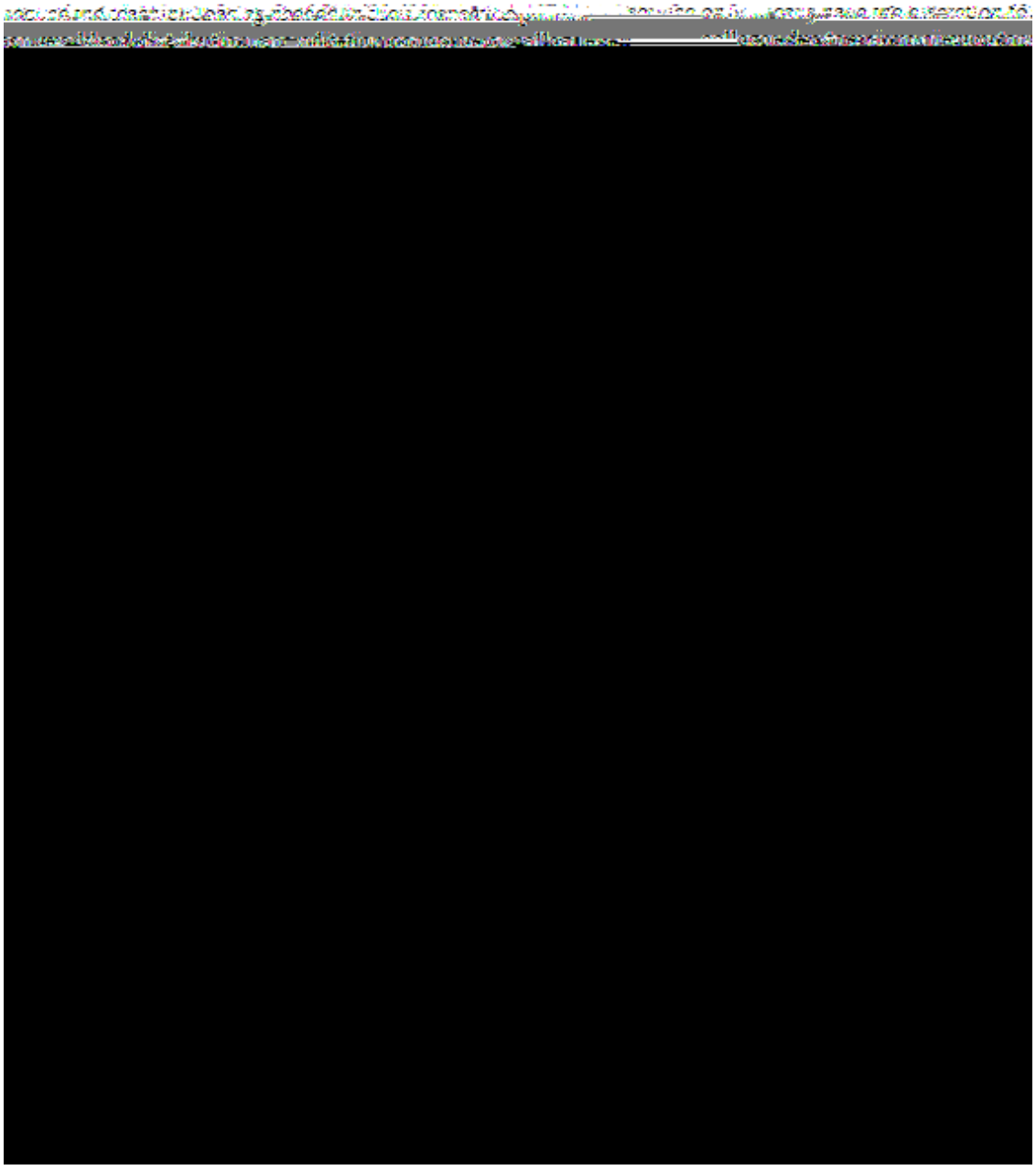
The UNA Registrar, Ms. Leanna Wilson, attended the March Faculty Senate meeting to comment that the Registrar's Office had to use the "W" designation largely for financial aid reasons (i.e., if a student is awarded financial aid and withdraws from a course, the withdrawal must be recorded as such).

Senator Richardson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:34pm. The Faculty Senate was adjourned.

AppendixA

2.4.2 Non-Tenure-Track

All new, full-time, non-tenure-track faculty members enter the institution with the rank of Lecturer, with a standard 5-5 teaching load and performance evaluation based upon teaching and



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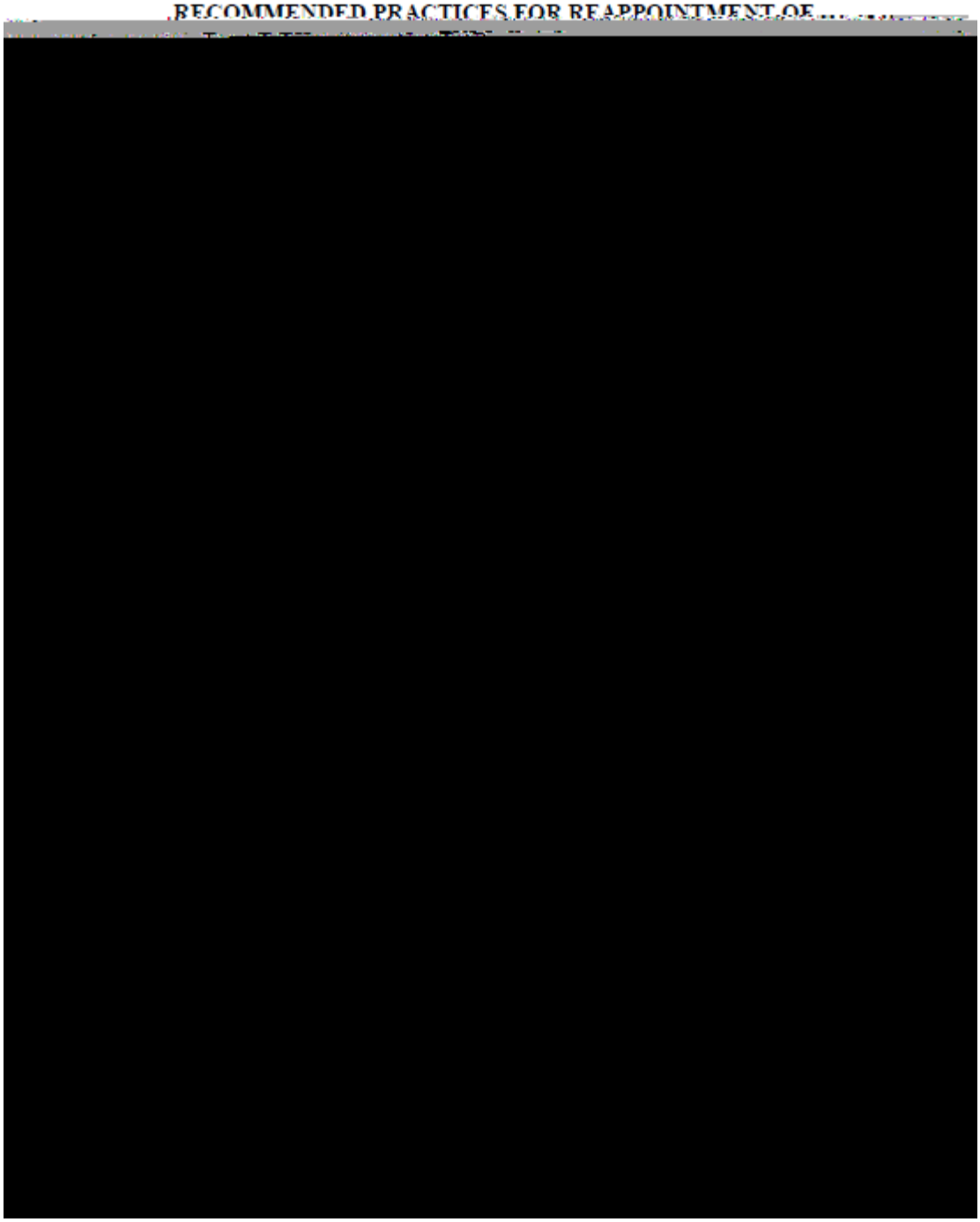
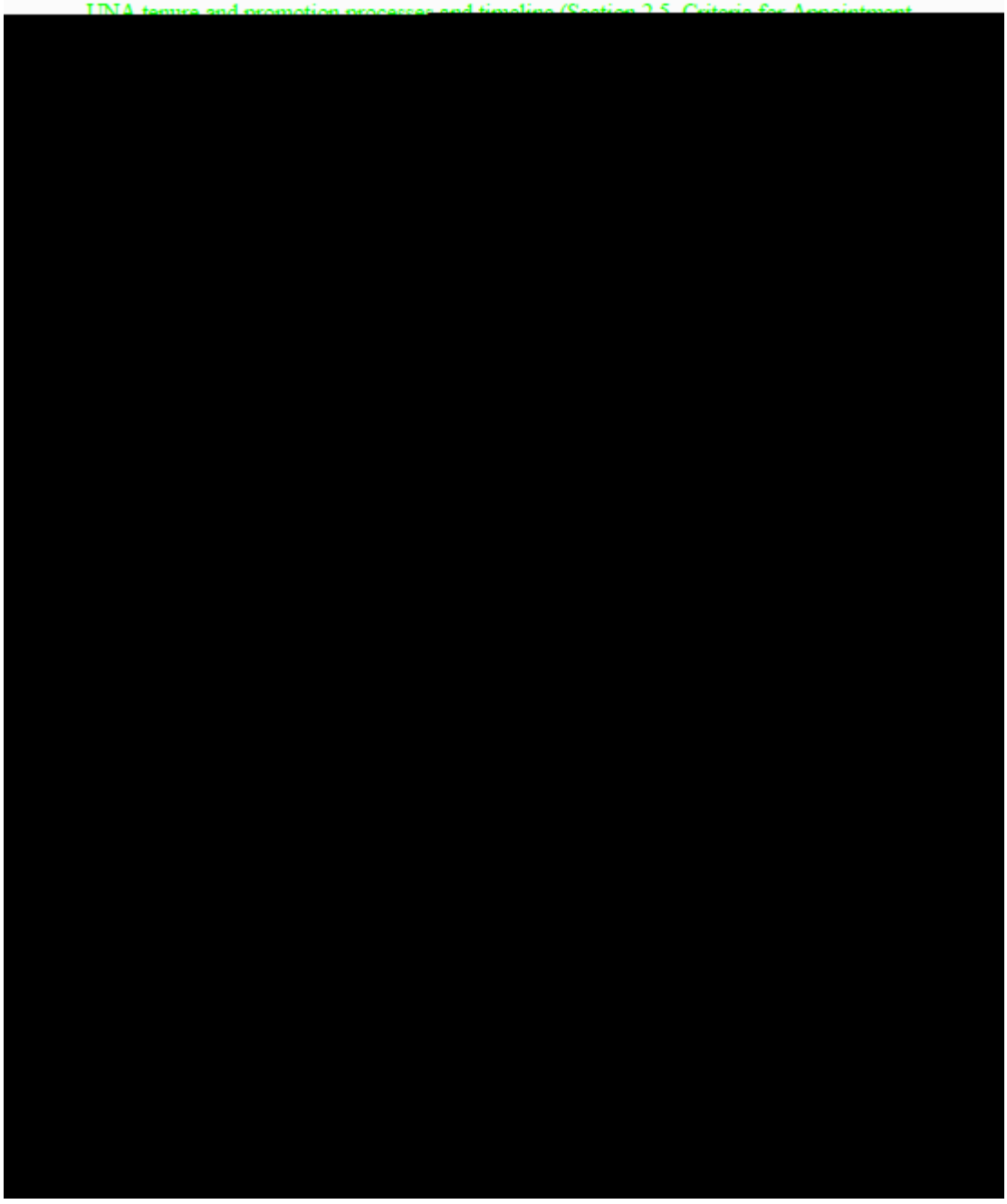
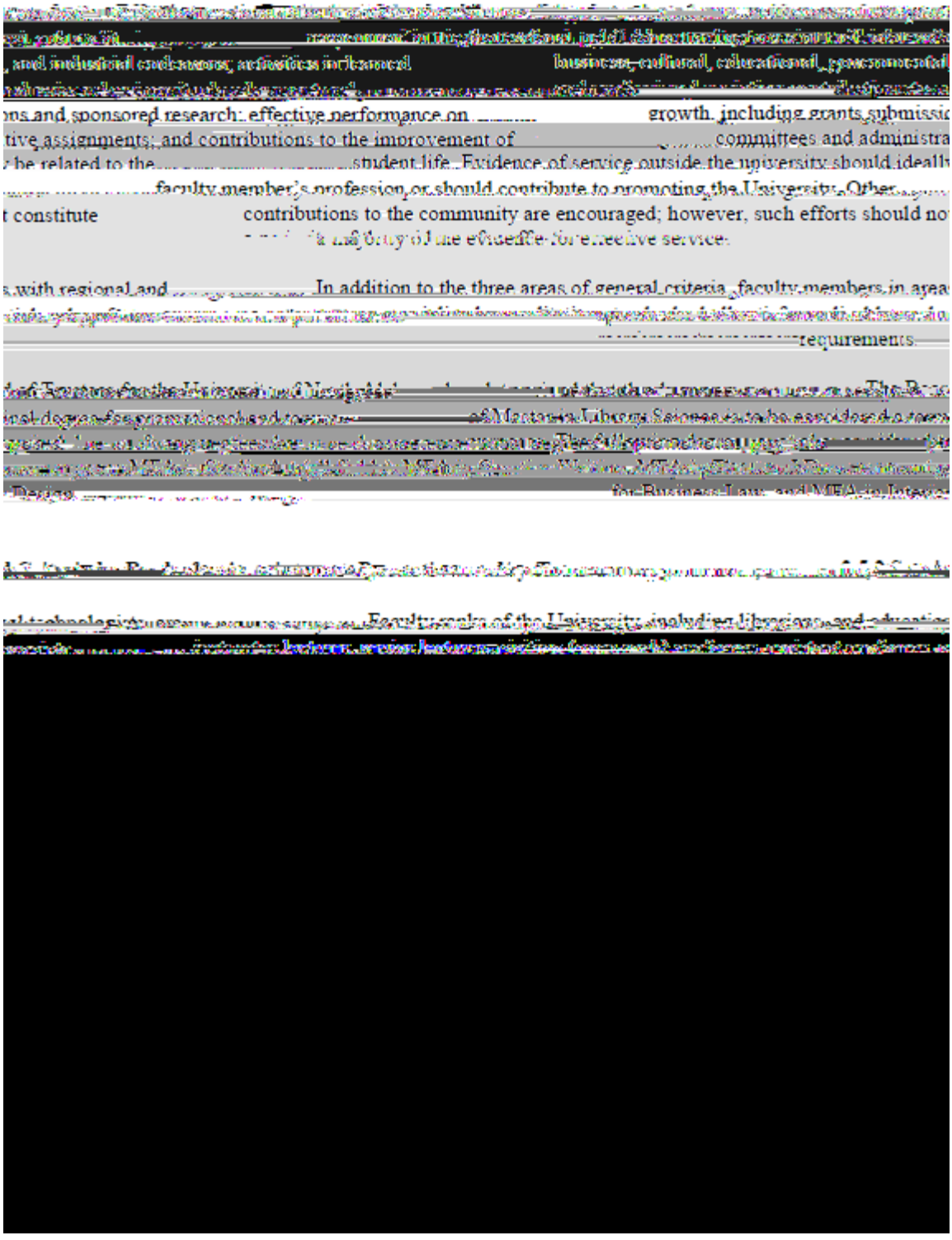
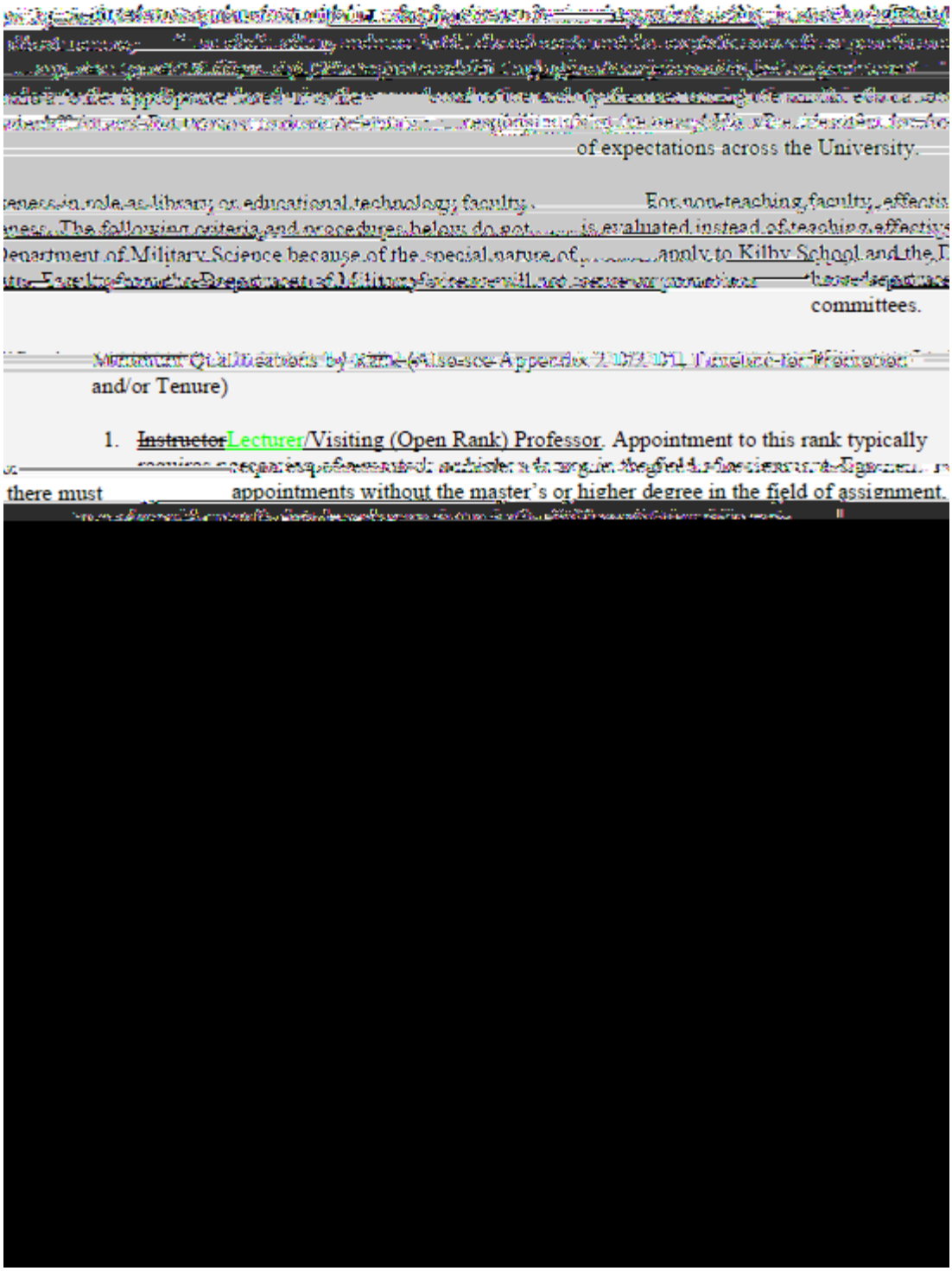


reappointment, nor does the decision of the department chair to conduct a full review either bi-

After five (5) years of uninterrupted, meritorious service, Lecturers may immediately apply promotion to Senior Lecturer via submission of a dossier/portfolio to be evaluated through the for







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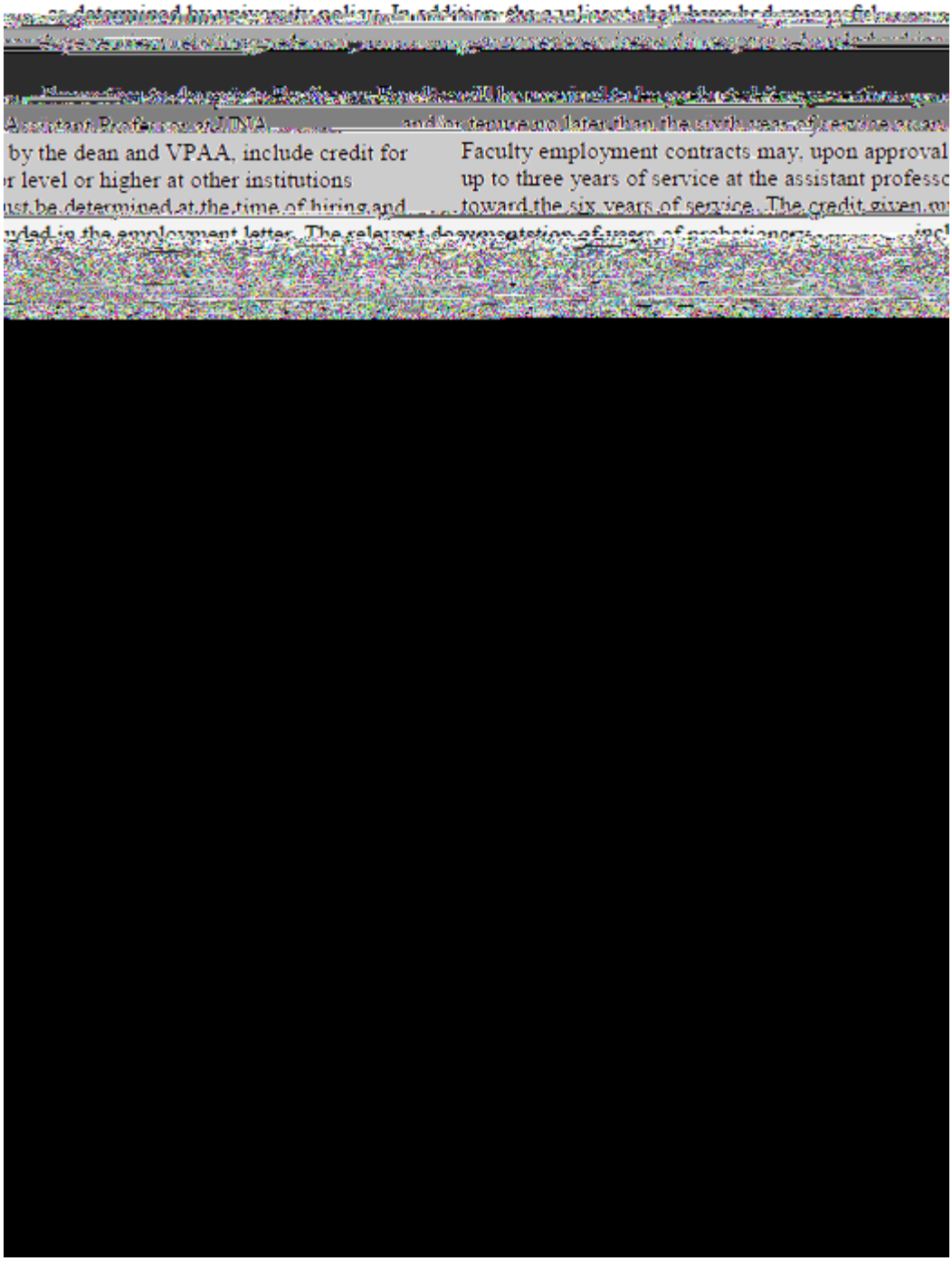
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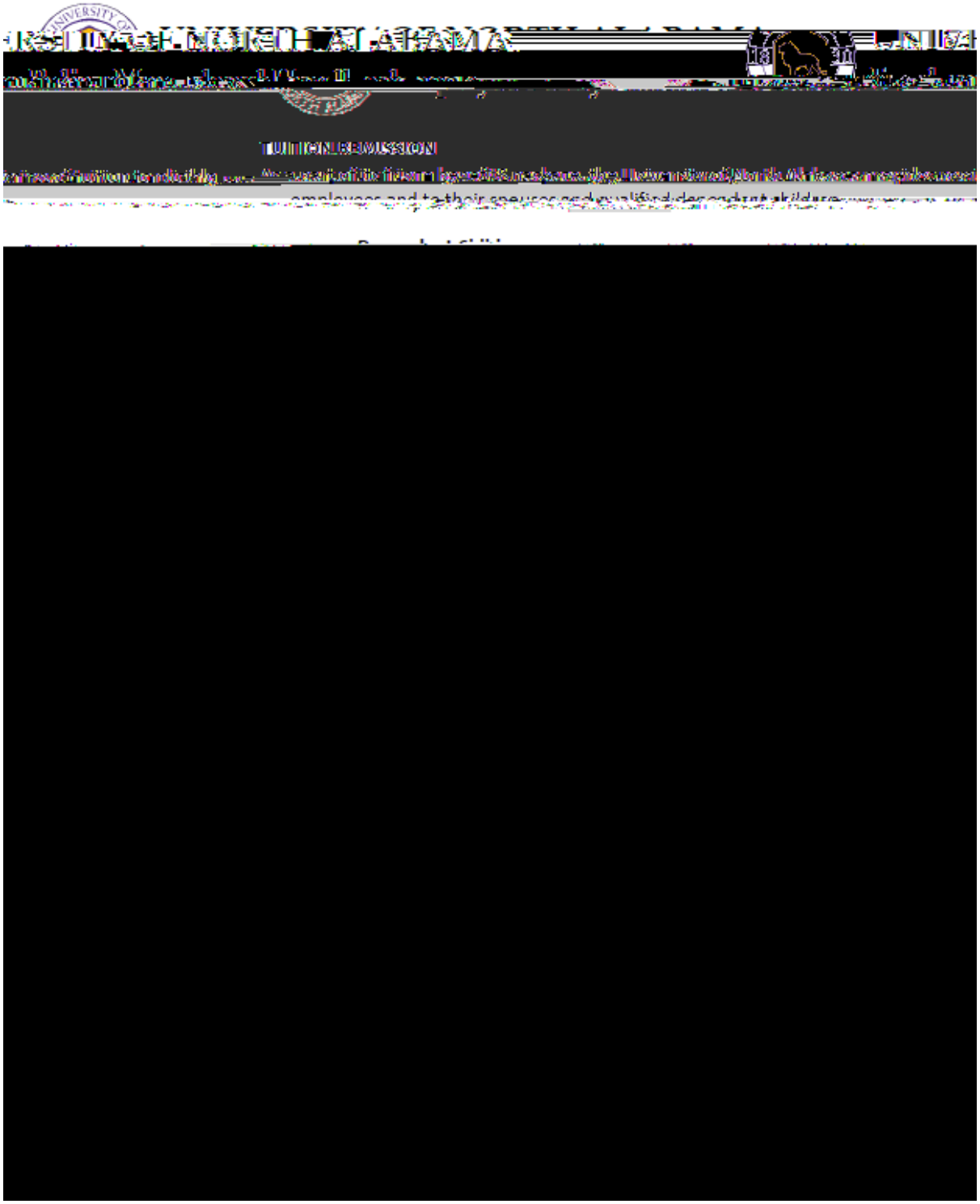
AppendixB (current tuition remission policy)



(proposed revisions to the tuition remission policy)

Tuition Remission policy proposal

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Proposal to alter the existing Freshman Commuter Parking Policy