committed to doing all that she can to ensure that WCU can offer competitive compensation packages to recruit and retain quality faculty and staff.

Dr. Brown mentioned that Ms. Lori Lewis stepped down from her leadership role in the Division of Advancement and Jamie Temples Raynor, assistant vice chancellor for development and alumni engagement and a staff member at WCU since August 2015, has agreed to serve as interim vice chancellor. Dr. Brown thanked Ms. Raynor for her service. Craig Fowler, chief information officer, will serve as chair of the committee to hire the Vice Chancellor of Advancement and the committee is being implemented.

Dr. Brown shared that the Apodaca Science Building is about 30 percent completed and is on schedule to open in the fall of 2021. The Apodaca Science Building has been named in honor of Tom Apodaca, a WCU alumnus, a former state legislator, and a former WCU trustee who has returned to this board this year. The newest residence hall, Levern Hamlin Allen Hall, successfully opened a few weeks ago. This building is named in honor of Levern Hamlin Allen, WCU's first African-American student, who arrived in Cullowhee in 1957. Levern Hamlin Allen Hall is the first building on campus to be named after an African-American member of the university community.

## **REPORT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

Chair Kinney recognized Mr. Lupoli to give the report of the Academic Affairs and Personnel Committee. The Academic Affairs and Personnel Committee reviewed several discussion and informational items. The committee reviewed the highlights of the Student Experience Survey of 2018, which measured the student experience in alignment with WCU's 2020 Vision strateg

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the Board of Trustees for approval the design for the WCU Energy Production Facility (Steam Plant) Project as presented. It was approved unanimously.

Mr. Craig Fowler, Chief Information Officer, presented the annual IT Update to the committee. The annual update covered a general, overall status of IT at the university. At the upcoming December committee meeting, Mr. Fowler will specifically discuss IT security.

Mr. Fowler noted the implementation status of the three UNC Board of Governors IT policies, and shared information on the revised WCU IT Governance structure and process, including the new IT project prioritization process that was piloted during the spring semester. Mr. Fowler shared the results of the 2018-2019 IT Annual Objectives Scorecard and metrics. The

workflow manager called Curriculog, and feedback to the Chief Diversity Officer on the University Diversity Plan that implements Goal 3 of the WCU 2020 strategic plan.

Dr. Gomez shared two important issues from the Faculty Conversations session that was held on August  $23^{rd}$ , including

## APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS