MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University met in the Regents Room, Educational Services Center, Las Cruces, New Mexico on April 9, 2013.

Chair Cheney called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

Regents Present
Mike Cheney, Chair
Javier M. Gonzales, Vice Chair
Isaac J. Pino, Secretary / Treasurer
Kari Mitchell, Member
Jordan Banegas, Member

Ex-officio Regents Present
Dr. Timothy Ketelaar, Faculty Senate Chair
Breeana Sylvas, President ASNMSU

Officers of the University Present
Dr. Manuel Pacheco, President
Dr. Jay Jordan, Executive Vice President / Provost

Chair NMSU Employee Council
Ms. Monica Dunivan

Other Presenters
Mr. Larry Lujan, Chair of the Presidential Search Committee

2. INTRODUCTIONS

a. Introduction of Press, Elected Officials, and Others by Maureen Howard, Associate Vice President for University Communications and Marketing Service

Associate Vice President Maureen Howard announced that Vanessa de la Vina and Jared Ortega from KVIA ABC 7 El Paso, Juan Gutierrez from KDBC 4 Local News, Monica Cortez and Zach Rael from KRWG News 22, Joshua Zuber from KFOX 14 News, Jack Nixon from Radio Las Cruces, Rene Romo from the Albuquerque Journal, Todd Dixon from The Bulletin, Lindsey Anderson from the Las Cruces Sun News and Lillian Bowe from the NMSU RoundUp were present.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regent Mitchell moved and Regent Banegas seconded to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **CONFIRMATION OF PRIOR EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University met in executive session at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, in Room 130 of Hadley Hall, NMSU in Las Cruces, New Mexico to discuss and evaluate candidates for the position of NMSU President, in accordance with Section 10-15-1H, paragraph (2) of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act. Those board members who were present hereby certify by roll call vote that only matters of that nature were discussed in closed meeting.

The motion to adopt this statement, upon being put to a vote, was passed and adopted on the following recorded vote: Chair Cheney, Vice Chair Gonzales, Secretary/Treasurer Pino, Member Mitchell, and Member Banegas. Five Regents present having voted in favor of said motion, said motion carried, and said statement was adopted.

5. **ACTION ITEMS**

a. Possible appointment of Finalists for the position of NMSU President

Regent Cheney mentioned that he was pleased with the Presidential Search Committee and the representation that they brought forward. He stated that they tried to get a group that was representative of as many of the stakeholders as was possible with regard to the better interests of the university. He was very pleased in the Search Committee Chair, Mr. Larry Lujan, who exemplified extraordinary leadership. The Regents stood back and let the chair do his job with the committee, interview the candidates and make their recommendation to the Regents. He thanked Mr. Lujan and the Presidential Search Committee for the work they did to get to these five finalists. Regent Cheney then turned the floor to Mr. Lujan to announce the five finalists.

Mr. Larry Lujan presented the following five finalists:

- Dr. David B. Ashley, Professor of Engineering and former President of the University of Nevada-Las Vegas

- Dr. Guy Bailey, Professor of English and former President of the University of Alabama and Texas Tech University

- Dr. Garrey Carruthers, Current Vice President for Economic Development and Dean of the College of Business of New Mexico State University

- Dr. Daniel J. Howard, Dean of College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Professor of Integrative Biology at the University of Colorado Denver
Dr. Elsa A. Murano, Interim Director of the Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture and Professor and President Emerita of Texas A & M University

Mr. Lujan praised the Search Committee in picking the finalists, based upon direction provided by the Regents. He mentioned the Regents did a good job of reaching out to the community and having a number of stakeholders from all over the state to come in participate in what they would like to see in the next NMSU President. Mr. Lujan said that it was their pleasure to announce the five finalists.

Regent Cheney mentioned that there were quite a bit of openings in the industry during this time and many people had applied for the position but withdrew because they got offered another position at another institution. He stated that NMSU is very fortunate to have these five finalists. The Regents had an opportunity to go over the qualifications and review the list. With that said, Regent Cheney entertained a motion to put forth and publish the names of these five finalists as per requirements of statute for the position of President of New Mexico State University.

Regent Mitchell moved and Regent Banegas seconded to approve the appointment of the Finalists for the position of NMSU President. The motion passed unanimously.

6. OTHER / COMMENTS

Regent Kari Mitchell expressed their gratitude to the search committee for their work on selecting these finalists. She mentioned that the search committee took their work seriously and brought forth five exceptional candidates. The Regents now have a lot to work on in the coming weeks.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business the Board of Regents adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Carolyn Aragon.

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