

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY
December 10, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University met in the Regents Room of the Educational Services Building, on the campus of New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, New Mexico, on Friday, December 10, 2010. Chair Pino called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Regents Present	Mr. Isaac J. Pino, Chair Mr. Chris Anaya, Vice Chair Mr. Blake B. Curtis, Secretary/Treasurer Mr. Javier M. Gonzales, Member Ms. Laura Conniff, Member
Ex-officio Regents Present	Dr. Mark Anderson Mr. Travis Dulany
President	Dr. Barbara Couture
Exec. Vice Pres./ Provost	Dr. Wendy Wilkins
Chair, NMSU Employee Council	Ms. Roseanne Bensley
Other Presenters	Associate Vice President Maureen Howard General Counsel Bruce Kite Dir./Secretary Miley González Director Michael Rickenbaker Interim Senior Vice President Angela Throneberry Director Fred Ayers Dean Lowell Catlett Vice President Garrey Carruthers Senior Vice President Ben Woods Vice President Vimal Chaitanya Associate Director Pam Hunt Project Director Tara Gray

2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

- (a) Elected Officials and Others by Maureen Howard, Associate Vice President for University Communications and Marketing Services.

Associate Vice President Howard introduced Christine Rogel from the *Las Cruces Sun-News*.

- (b) Interim Senior Vice President Administration and Finance Angela Throneberry by President Barbara Couture

Since April 2008, Angela Throneberry has served as the Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance where she has direct oversight responsibility for the Controller's Office, Auxiliary Services, Financial Systems Administration and the Office of Real Estate. Since joining NMSU in 1991, she has held a series of positions of increasing responsibility, including Assistant Vice President for Auxiliary Services and Director of Financial Operations. Prior to her employment with NMSU, she worked in public accounting as an auditor with both KPMG Peat Marwick and Arthur Andersen where she specialized in audits of Regulatory Industries and Financial Institutions. She is an NMSU graduate and a Certified Public Accountant.

- (c) Associate Vice President and Deputy Provost Greg Fant by Executive Vice President/Provost Wendy K. Wilkins

Dr. Greg Fant has been appointed Associate Vice President and Deputy Provost effective January 1, 2011. Prior to this appointment, Dr. Fant served as Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Associate Dean, and Assistant Dean. From 1999-2007, he was the Academic Department Head of Music, during which time he became a strong advocate for the New Arts Complex. During the last two years of his Department Head appointment, he also served the college as Assistant Dean for Development. He joined the faculty at NMSU in 1990 as Associate Director of Bands responsible for the University's "Pride" Marching Band, Symphonic Band, Roadrunner Revue Pep Band and taught courses in Instrumental Music Education. Under his direction, the Pride Marching Band made nine recordings, performed exhibition shows at numerous marching festivals, played for several professional football games, and performed for the Prince of Monaco in December of 1998. His articles have appeared in the *New Mexico Musician* and the *Music Educations Journal*. As an advocate for Music Education, throughout his career Dr. Fant has presented music clinics for a wide variety of school groups, as well as adjudicating numerous band festivals. He has served as President of the New Mexico Music Educators Association and has written grants to support the All-State Music Conference for the past five years. He has also received funding from New Mexico Arts for a Jazz Outreach Tour and an educational outreach tour to small communities in New Mexico - "For New Mexicans by New Mexicans." Dr. Fant received a Bachelor in Music Education from Delta State University, a Masters in Music from New Mexico State University, and a Ph.D. in Music Education from the University of Arizona. Dr. Fant has been an active music educator since 1982.

- (d) Interim Vice President for Student Success Bernadette Montoya by Executive Vice President/Provost Wendy K. Wilkins

Dr. Bernadette Montoya has been appointed Interim Vice President for Student Success effective January 4, 2011. Prior to this appointment, Dr. Montoya served as Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management. Bernadette has served in higher education for over 17 years, both in community college and university settings. Her service has been primarily focused in the student success areas. She has also taught courses at the college level, and has served on several doctoral committees. Prior to her service in higher education, she taught in the public schools.

Dr. Montoya earned her Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees from New Mexico State University and her Ed.D. from the University of New Mexico.

- (e) Employee Council Chair Steve Loring by Ms. Roseanne Bensley

Steven Loring is Associate Director of New Mexico State University's Agricultural Experiment Station, where he helps coordinate and administer research in the College of Agricultural, Consumer, and Environmental Sciences. He was Chair of the NMSU Sustainability Council from July 2008 through June 2010; in that role he tracked energy-related research and sustainability efforts across the university. Dr. Loring worked in the NMSU Biology Department and Physical Sciences Laboratory before joining the agricultural Experiment Station in 1995. His research background is in soil and ecosystem ecology.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regent Curtis moved, seconded by Regent Anaya, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comments were made by Joan Crawley.

5. RATIFICATION STATEMENT REGARDING PRIOR EXECUTIVE SESSION(s) (roll call vote)

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University met in Executive Session at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, December 10, 2010, in Room Two of the Educational Services Building on the main campus in Las Cruces, New Mexico to discuss personnel matters 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 the closed meeting.

The motion to adopt this statement, upon being put to a vote, was passed and adopted on the following recorded vote: Chair Pino, Vice Chair Anaya, Sec./Treasurer Curtis, Regent Gonzales, and Regent Conniff. five Regents present having voted in favor of said motion, said motion carried, and said statement was adopted.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Conniff moved, seconded by Regent Curtis, to approve the minutes of October 29, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

7. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Approved meetings:

- January 31, 2011 (In Conjunction with Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe)
- March 14, 2011 (Annual Meeting)
- May 6, 2011 (In Conjunction with Commencement)

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (voted on by one motion, or moved to Action or Informational Items)

(a) Administrative

1. Confirm Approval of Candidates for Degrees (President Barbara Couture)
2. Approval of Amendment to the 2010/2011 Resolution Establishing Notice Requirements (General Counsel Bruce Kite)
3. Approval of García Conservation Easement (Director I. Miley González)
4. Approval of NMSU - Las Cruces: New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) Building Addition and Remodel (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
5. Approval of Budget Adjustment Requests (BAR) for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 (Interim Senior Vice President Angela Throneberry)
6. Approval of Disposition/Deletion of Property (Interim Senior Vice President Angela Throneberry)
7. Approval of the First Amendment of the Easement Agreement with Lowe's Home Center, Inc., a North Carolina Corporation (Director Fred Ayers)
8. Approval of an El Paso Electric Company Electric Line Easement Located within the Arrowhead Research Park (Director Fred Ayers)
9. Approval of NMSU - Carlsbad: Elevator Addition (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
10. Approval of NMSU - Carlsbad: Lighting Upgrades (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
11. Approval of NMSU - Las Cruces: PSL Annex Remodel, Budget Increase (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
12. Approval of NMSU - Sustainable Agricultural Science Center at Alcalde (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
13. Approval to Change the Name of the Human Nutrition and Food Science Major to Human Nutrition and Dietetic Sciences and to Change the Existing HNFS Course Prefix to HNDS (Dean Lowell Catlett)
14. Approval of the Appointment of Jackie Kerby Moore to the Arrowhead Center, Inc. Board of Directors (Vice President Garrey Carruthers)
15. Approval of the Arrowhead Center, Inc., Article II, Section 2, Modified Bylaws (Vice President Garrey Carruthers)

Regent Anaya moved, seconded by Regent Conniff, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

9. ACTION ITEMS

- (a) Appointment of Interim Director/Secretary of New Mexico Department of Agriculture (President Barbara Couture)

President Couture recommended and asked for approval of the the appointment of Tom J. Bagwell as Interim Director for the New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA). Mr. Bagwell is currently serving as Assistant Director for NMDA and Deputy Secretary of Agriculture for New Mexico.

Regent Gonzales moved, seconded by Regent Conniff, to approve the appointment of Tom Bagwell as Interim Director/Secretary of New Mexico Department of Agriculture. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Approval of Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010
(Interim Senior Vice President Angela Throneberry)

Interim Senior Vice President Throneberry gave a presentation on the Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2010. Moss Adams audited the financial statements and issued an unqualified opinion.

Regent Curtis moved, seconded by Regent Gonzales, to approve the Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

- (c) Approval of Resolution in Support of the Dream Act (Senior Vice President Ben Woods)

Regent Gonzales moved, seconded by Regent Anaya, to approve the Resolution in Support of the Dream Act. The motion carried unanimously.

10. NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(President Barbara Couture)

President Couture reported on the following:

- * Progress in achieving three of the seven goals that were outlined in her inaugural address. The first goal discussed was on diversity. Professors Emeritus Charles Harris and Louis Sadler, from the History department, were invited to lecture at the Hispanic Foundation of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. in November. Their groundbreaking book, "The Secret War in El Paso: Mexican Revolutionary Intrigue 1906-1920," highlighted the conspiracy and spying that took place in El Paso during the Mexican Revolution. Progress was also made in the second goal which focuses on international reach. New Mexico State University has expanded a unique study abroad and service opportunity through its collaboration with the Peace Corp on a master's degree. The degree provides an avenue for students to earn their master's while serving over seas in volunteer work. Students begin and end the program course-work at NMSU.
 - * NMSU has engaged in a new partnership with the US Air Force. Faculty researchers received over \$2.3 million to find improved ways to turn algae into a sustainable source for jet fuel. On December 3, the first research rally was held open to faculty, staff, students, and the press to announce this brand and put it in context with the multiple research projects NMSU is conducting on algal bio-fuels.
- (a) The New Era of Excellence Through Partnership - A Presentation on the Bio-Sciences Research Agenda of NMSU (Vice President Vimal Chaitanya)

Vice President Vimal Chaitanya and two faculty members, Dr. Jeffrey Arterburn and Associate Professor Katherine Hanley, gave a detailed presentation on significant bio-medical research

funding, and how solutions are being sought for current health problems. The presentation focused on mosquito born diseases, cancer cells, and the work on the development of new vaccines and drugs.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- (a) Department Head Academy
(Executive Vice President/Provost Wilkins, Director Tara Gray, and Associate Director Pam Hunt)

The Department Head Academy is being established to provide needed professional development tools for department heads which would then benefit faculty success and hence student success. The academy will begin in January and will offer monthly work sessions and presentations on topics of relevance for academic administration. The Department Head Academy is spearheaded by a steering committee consisting of eight department heads, the provost, associate provost, and two ex-officio members from the Teaching Academy staff. The Academy will offer a two-day annual administrators' retreat in May.

12. REPORTS

- (a) Faculty Senate Chairperson's Report by Dr. Mark Anderson

Dr. Andersen reported the Faculty Senate is considering changes to the policy defining the Faculty Senate to include the definition of shared governance in the NMSU Policy Manual so that adherence to the principles of shared governance will be written into NMSU policy. Changes are also being considered to the Faculty Senate Constitution to streamline the policy change approval process and to make that process conform to current practice.

- (b) Associated Students of New Mexico State University (ASNMSU) Report by Mr. Travis Dulany, President

President Dulany reported ASNMSU would like to explore ideas regarding the Corbett Center Student Union reporting. The students have submitted a resolution requesting that the Student Union report to the Vice President for Student Success.

- (c) NMSU Employee Council Report by Ms. Roseanne Bensley, Chair

Ms. Bensley provided the names of the newly elected members to the NMSU Employee Council. Exempt members are Anthony Parra, Roseanne Bensley, Cherri Lambeth, Patricia Hartell, and Paul Ponce. The Faculty member is Allan Kaplan. Off-campus community college (NMSU Alamogordo) member is Linda Beavers. Exempt alternates are Fred Lillibridge and Cami Davis. The faculty alternate is Nancy Oretskin. Non-Exempt members are Cheryl Archuleta, Carmen Kottong, Mary Lankford, Peggy Spiegel. The off-campus alternate is Karen Reid. The new chair of the NMSU Employee Council is Steve Loring effective February 1, 2011.

13. OTHER/COMMENTS

- (a) Presentation of Resolution to Vice President Nick Franklin
- (b) Presentation of Resolution to Vice President Carmen Gonzales
- (c) Presentation of Resolution to Sec./Director I. Miley González
- (d) Presentation of Resolution to Regent Chris Anaya
- (e) Presentation of Resolution to Regent Blake B. Curtis

Resolutions were presented to Vice President Nick Franklin, Vice President Carmen Gonzales, and Sec./Director I. Miley Gonzalez for their service to NMSU.

Resolutions were presented to Regent Chris Anaya and Regent Blake Curtis for their service to the NMSU Board of Regents.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Regent Pino adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Socorro Saenz-Lobato.

Isaac J. Pino, Chair
Board of Regents

Chris Anaya, Secretary/Treasurer
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