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 Thursday, June 21, 2012.

Chair Cheney called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Regents Present
Mike Cheney, Chair
Isaac J. Pino, Vice Chair
Christopher Dulany, Secretary / Treasurer
Javier M. Gonzales, Member

Ex-officio Regents Present
Dr. Stu Munson-McGee, Faculty Senate Chair
Breeana Sylvas, President ASNMSU

Officers of the University Present
Dr. Barbara Couture, President
Dr. Wendy K. Wilkins, Executive Vice President / Provost

Chair NMSU Employee Council
Dr. Fred Lillibridge

Other Presenters
Ms. Felicia Casados, President, NMSU—Grants
Dr. John Gratton, President, NMSU—Carlsbad
Dr. Margie Huerta, President, NMSU—Dona Ana
Dr. Cheri A. Jimeno, President, NMSU—Alamogordo

2. INTRODUCTIONS

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

Associate Vice President Maureen Howard announced that no members of the media were present.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regent Pino moved and Regent Dulany seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Regent Pino moved and Regent Dulany seconded the approval of the minutes of May 11, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **REGENTS "ABOVE AND BEYOND" AWARD**

a. President Barbara Couture introduced Kim Huddleston, Business Manager, University Communications, as the June 2012 recipient of the Regents Above and Beyond Award.

7. **FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

Approved Meeting Dates

- Monday, August 20, 2012, Las Cruces, New Mexico
- Monday, October 15, 2012, Carlsbad, New Mexico
- Friday, December 14, 2012, Las Cruces, New Mexico
- Monday, January 28, 2013, Santa Fe, New Mexico
- Monday, March 11, 2013, Las Cruces, New Mexico
- April, 2013, Las Cruces, New Mexico (date dependent upon legislative session)
- Friday, May 10, 2013, Las Cruces, New Mexico

8. **CONFIRMATION OF PRIOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University met in executive session at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2012 in Room 2 of the Educational Services Building in Las Cruces, New Mexico to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters in accordance with Section 10-15-1H, paragraphs (2), (7), and (8) 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 Pino, Secretary/Treasurer Dulany, Regent Gonzales, and Regent Conniff (resigned). Four Regents present having voted in favor of said motion, said motion carried, and said statement was adopted.

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University also met in executive session at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at the Las Cruces Convention Center in Las Cruces, New Mexico to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters in accordance with Section 10-15-1H, paragraphs (2), (7), and (8) 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.

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Dulany, and Regent Gonzales. Four Regents present having voted in favor of said motion, said motion carried, and said statement was adopted.

9. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. **Policy**

1. Approval of Revision to Policy 4.05.50 Faculty Grievance Review and Resolution, Faculty Senate Proposition 19-11/12A - (Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Executive Vice President and Provost)

2. Approval of Revision to Policy 5.47 Faculty Discipline and Appeal Processes, Faculty Senate Proposition 13-11/12A - (Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Executive Vice President and Provost)

3. Approval of Revision to Policy 6.65 General Education Classes, Faculty Senate Proposition 21-11/12 - (Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Executive Vice President and Provost)

4. Approval of Revision to Policy 6.75 Honorary Degrees, Faculty Senate Proposition 9-11/12A - (Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Executive Vice President and Provost)

5. Approval of Revision to Policy 4.65 Security Clearance (Department of Defense – (Dr. Vimal Chaitanya, Vice President of Research)

b. **Administrative**

1. Approval of Disposition/Deletion of Property. University property being recommended for disposition/deletion – (Ms. Angela Throneberry, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance)

2. Approval for use of funds from Artesia Surface Use Agreement by Artesia Research Center – (Ms. Angela Throneberry, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance)

3. Proposal to Change the Name of the Department of Health Science to the Department of Public Health Sciences - (Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Executive Vice President and Provost)

c. **Real Estate**

1. No action planned at this time.

Regent Pino moved and Regent Gonzales seconded to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
10. **ACTION ITEMS**

a. No action planned at this time

11. **NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Couture introduced our community college presidents for the update on their campuses. The community colleges are extremely important to the NMSU system and play a key role in providing access to higher education across the state.

12. **INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

a. NMSU – Alamogordo, President Cheri A. Jimeno

   President Jimeno reported on the following:

   - Enrollment declined .5% from last year
   - Summer enrollment is up 12%
   - Completion Agenda
     - Quick Connect – Want all faculty to get involved
     - Calling Campaign - Check on student progress
     - Mandatory Orientation – All students need to attend before being registered
     - Completion Wall (Phi Theta Kappa) – To help with completion rates. Student’s sign wall to keep in mind their educational goals.
     - Mid-Semester Check (dual credit) – High School students in dual credit courses will know where they stand in mid semester.
     - Advising (degree plans)
     - Optional versus Required. The choices will be decreased.
   - Accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) will be held on February 11, 12 & 13, 2013. Draft for the self student report will be out for review in August and needs to be in by November.
   - Title V Grant
     - Five year, $3.2 million
     - Pilot test developmental Math (Fall 2011 and Spring 2012)
     - Pilot test developmental English and Reading (Fall 2012)
     - Developmental corridor – renovation of five classrooms
     - Site licenses – Plato Learning System and Accesses by Plato (both for developmental Math)
   - HIS Stem Grant – ability to increase enrollment and success in the stem field.
     - Five year, $4.2 million
     - Lab Renovations - Phase I, Chemistry; Phase II, Biology, Physics/Engineering, Geology/Geography (Completion Summer 2013)
     - Site Licenses - AutoCad, Matlab
     - Additional Personnel – Systems Analyst, Outreach-Transfer Coordinator, Sciences Lab Assistants, Renewable Energy and Engineering Instructors

- Military
  o Open House at Holloman Air Force Base on July 17, 2012
  o Named a Military-Friendly School
  o Veteran’s Student Lounge specific for veteran students.

- Online Education
  o Santa Fe Community College is the lead agency for Community College Consortium
  o Maryland Online Model
  o Quality Matters Conference, Tucson AZ in October 2012 (Quality Matters is to make sure that instructors who deliver online education courses are nationally certified in that area)

b. NMSU – Carlsbad, President John Gratton

President Gratton reported on the following:

- Enrollment has declined from 2009 to present – due to employers in the southeastern part of the state are employing high school graduates at a pretty good wage. Many from the gas industry are making $60,000 – $70,000 per year.

- Enrollment Results
  o Spring 2012 – Headcount 2,762 (drop in dual credit)
  o Summer 2012 – Headcount 787 (4.4% increase) Semester Credit Hours 3,363 (5% decrease)
  o Fall 2012 – Headcount 812 (26.5% increase) Semester Credit Hours 5,260 (5.3% increase)

- Title V Grant
  o Allied Health Initiatives
  o Health Information Technology program will begin Fall 2012
  o Surgical Technician program slated for start in Fall 2013
  o Planning will begin on a Physical Therapy Assistant Program (The requirement is that it needs to be directed by a Doctor of Physical Therapy)
  o Additional student success initiatives in Fall 2012 - to meet with students who are struggling in the Allied Health field to receive tutoring and mentoring.

- Newly approved degree programs to start Fall 2012
  o Agriculture Economics
  o Hospitality and tourism
  o Health Information Technology
  o Automotive Body Collision Repair
  o Fire Science Technology
  o Hazardous Materials

- Workforce Education Initiatives
  o Expectation of major donations from Intrepid Potash and Mosaic Potash – want workers for the Mines (approximately $700,000)
o Funds will be deposited in the NMSU Foundation and used for major equipment purchases
o Mechanical and electrical specializations will be offered
o New degree application will be presented for an AAS and certificates in Industrial Maintenance Mechanic program of study
o Interest expressed in a heavy equipment operator’s certificate
o Industry representatives have volunteered to spearhead fund raising efforts

- Energy Conservation Measures
  o Parking lot and exterior lighting has been replaced
  o Classroom and hallway lighting has been replaced with energy efficient choices
  o Energy savings have been realized
  o Request for a rebate from Excel Energy has been submitted

- Capital Outlay Requests
  o Current requests will address infrastructure
  o NMSU Carlsbad was interested in pursuing a child care/child development center, but with federal requirements that are coming in regarding childcare, it may not a feasible financial decision. Will review again before making a final decision.

- HLC Accreditation
  o NMSU Carlsbad will submit its AQIP report in November 2012
  o HLC Check slated for Fall 2013
  o Accreditation visit 2014-2015
  o NMSU Carlsbad faculty and staff have expressed interest in moving to the “Open Pathways” model and leaving AQIP.

c. NMSU – Dona Ana, President Margie Huerta

President Huerta reported on the following:

- Good News
  o Dr. Margie Huerta has been appointed to the Board of Trustees for the CollegeBoard from November 2012 – 2016 (nominated by Secretary Garcia)
  o DACC was ranked in the Top100 Associate Degree Producers Special Report – these are the institutions that have the most success in awarding associate degrees to minority students.
  o DACC is an Achieving the Dream Leader College – Out of 1200 Community Colleges there are 40+ that are classified as Leader Colleges

- Legislative Finance Committee Program Evaluation Update
  o Recommended increasing their mill levy rate
  o Working with UNM Bureau of Business and Economic Research Department to conduct this research on economic impact and feasibility study and survey.

- 2012 – 2016 Strategic Priorities
  o Goals
• Intrusive Student Support
• Student Success Engagement Strategies – (Best practices: Achieving the Dream, Noel Levitz, Lumina Foundation and NM Achievement Gap)
• Curriculum Development/Redesign – to give faculty release time to review the curriculum and maintaining standards
• Workforce Preparation
• Efficiency and Effectiveness

• Upcoming Events
  o Community College Round-Up – October 5, 2012 (Keynote Speaker: Vincent Tinto)
  o Reclaiming the American Dream – Report from the 21st Century Commission of the Future of Community Colleges
  o Celebrity Golf Tournament, October 19, 2012 (Sonoma Ranch Golf Course)

• DACC to NMSU Transfer Reception
  o Transfer students are a great investment
  o Second Chance, Not Second Class
  o Advancing by Degrees – Transfer from community college to a university
  o Excelencia in Education – Require a simplified transfer pathway to colleges and universities
  o Working together with NMSU to give the students a smooth transition from the community college to a university

d. NMSU – Grants, President Felicia Casados

President Casados reported on the following:

• Enrollment has been down 10.1%
• Invested in our Faculty and Staff by Implementing NMSU Mercer Salary Study
• Invested in Facilities – approximately $4,000,000 in 7 years. Two campus facilities were 1960 era Job corps buildings in a severe state of disrepair.
• $500,00 State Severance Tax Bonds – Funds available July 1, 2012
• $1,000,000 State General Obligation (GO) Bond – Pending voter approval November 2012 general election
• State Licensed Campus Child Development Center – Infant to School Age Children. Run by a nonprofit organization and serves about 50 children. Will be utilizing the 2012 Severance Tax Funds to hire architects for preliminary planning/design for a new center with a goal to obtain estimated construction cost to secure funding for construction. Would like to eventually tie the center into the Education Program.
• Federal Grant Resources Secured
  o US Department of Education Title V Hispanic Service Institutions – October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2014 at approximately $574,549/year.
o US Department of Education Title V Hispanic Service Institutions Cooperative (w/UNM-Valencia as lead institution) – October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2016 at approximately $300,000/year.

o Department of Education Title V Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions – October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2016 at approximately $399,760/year.

o Grant Funded Faculty Staff Positions
  ▪ 1 FTE Engineering Faculty
  ▪ ½ FTE Science Lab Aide
  ▪ 1 FTE IT Tech
  ▪ 1 FTE Distance Education Trainer
  ▪ 3 Hourly Professional Tutors (approximately 20 hours/week)
  ▪ ½ FTE Student Services Dual Enrollment Academy Administrative Assistant
  ▪ 1 FTE Testing Center Coordinator (Fall 2012)
  ▪ 1 FTE Transfer Advisor (Fall 2013)

o NMSU Grants Student High School vs GED Graduates – Increase in GED Students moving toward higher education.

o June 2012 STEM Dual Enrollment Academy – Making rockets to launch with engineering faculty

o Funding to develop two Adult Basic Education/GED Outreach Centers in Acoma and To'hajiilee, both Native American communities in the service area

o Community computer labs (Laguna Pueblo Library & Acoma Pueblo Library)

o Laguna Develop Corp – Work Keys software and small computer lab to access employee skill levels

o Engineering Lab Renovation

o Improving Campus Technology (computer labs/faculty computers)

o Professional tutors to support student retention

o Faculty Training for Canvass, Distance Learning Management System

o Providing Campus more staff to support outreach needs as well as grant management needs

o Enhanced electronic Library resources

13. **RECURRING REPORTS**

a. Report from the Chair, Faculty Senate by Dr. Stu Munson-McGee

Dr. McGee reported to the board that that after investigating the last election, there were problems getting the ballots out to community colleges and remote campuses. Faculty Senate will redo the election in the Fall semester to try to prevent disenfranchisement of those faculty members. In previous elections, they would see a 20% return on the ballots, but this last election there was only a 10% return. They will be working this summer to make sure this doesn’t happen again.
b. Report from the President, Associated Students of New Mexico State University by Ms. Breeana Sylvas

President Sylvas reported that she has hired directors to the different departments within ASNMSU. A calendar has also been created to list the different events that will be taking place in the Fall semester.

c. Report from the Chair-elect, NMSU Employee Council by Dr. Fred Lillibridge

Dr. Lillibridge reported that Employee Council has been working on the ERB. They have a resolution asking the ERB Board, during this session, to come up with a plan to make this program solvent. They are also working with HR to make sure the university community gets an opportunity to weigh in with ERB to make their feelings known on how this program can be fixed.

14. OTHER / COMMENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion, Regent Pino moved.

There being no more business the Board of Regents adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Carolyn Aragon.

Mike Cheney, Chair
Board of Regents

Christopher Dulany, Secretary / Treasurer
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