

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY
October 29, 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, October 29, 2010. Chair Pino called the meeting to order at 10:12 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
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Ex-officio Regents Present	Dr. Mark Anderson Mr. Travis Dulany
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President	Dr. Barbara Couture
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Exec. Vice Pres./ Provost	Dr. Wendy Wilkins
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Chair, NMSU Employee Council	Ms. Roseanne Bensley
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Other Presenters	Associate Vice President Maureen Howard Senior Vice President Jennifer Taylor Vice President Nick Franklin Vice President Vimal Chaitanya Director Valerie Pickett Director Fred Ayers Director Michael Rickenbaker
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2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

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

Associate Vice President Howard introduced Representative J. Paul Taylor; Christine Rogel from the *Las Cruces Sun-News*; and Kayla Olson and David Livingstone from the *Round-Up*.

- (b) Vice President for University Advancement Dennis Prescott by President Barbara Couture

President Couture introduced the incoming Vice President for University Advancement Dennis Prescott. He will join NMSU effective January 10, 2011.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Regent Pino requested that agenda items 13(a), (b), and (c) be moved to before the Consent Calendar.

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up for public comment.

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 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 29, 2010, in Room Two of the Educational Services Building on the main campus in Las Cruces, New Mexico to discuss personnel, real estate and legal matters in accordance with Section 10-15-1H; Paragraph s (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 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, and Regent Conniff. Three Regents present having voted in favor of said motion, said motion carried, and said statement was adopted.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 17, 2010

Regent Anaya moved, seconded by Regent Conniff, to approve the minutes of September 17, 2010. The motion carried unanimously.

7. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Approved meetings:

- December 10, 2010 (Commencement Weekend)
- January 31, 2011 (In Conjunction with Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe)

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

(a) Administrative

1. Approval of NMSU - Las Cruces: Soccer Stadium
(Director Michael Rickenbaker)
2. Approval of NMSU - Las Cruces: Horse Farm Breeding Barn
(Director Michael Rickenbaker)
3. Approval of NMSU - Las Cruces Arrowhead Drive Phase 2
(Director Michael Rickenbaker)
4. Approval of Purchase of Modular Buildings for the US Department of Agriculture (Director Michael Rickenbaker)
5. Approval of Disposition/Deletion of Property
(Senior Vice President Jennifer Taylor)
6. Approval of El Paso Electric Easement for the Las Cruces Convention Center
(Director Fred Ayers)
7. Approval of Lease Agreement between Tres Properties and the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University on behalf of Doña Ana County Head Start (Director Fred Ayers)
8. HRTM Lab Naming (Vice President Nick Franklin)
9. Approval of a Site Utility Easement Agreement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces
(Director Fred Ayers)
10. Approval of a Grant of Road Access and Utility Easement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces
(Director Fred Ayers)
11. Approval of a Grant of Road Access and Utility Easement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces
(Director Fred Ayers)
12. Approval of a Grant of Sanitary Sewer Utility Easement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces
(Director Fred Ayers)
13. Approval of a Grant of Site Utility Easement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces
(Director Fred Ayers)

14. Approval of a Grant of Drainage Easement between the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University and the City of Las Cruces (Director Fred Ayers)
15. Approval of Naming of the HRTM Beverage Lab to the Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine (Vice President Nick Franklin)

(b) Policy Changes

1. Approval of Faculty Senate Proposition 02-10/11, amending Policy 5.15.50, Appointments-Postdoctoral (Faculty Senate Chair Mark Andersen)

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

9. ACTION ITEMS

- (a) Approval of NMSU - Doña Ana Community College East Mesa Center Phases 6 & 7 (Director Michael Rickenbaker)

Director Rickenbaker requested the approval of the construction of Phases 6 and 7 at Doña Ana Community College East Mesa Center. The construction consists of 67,000 square feet of new facilities which will house classrooms, computer laboratories, and offices for the Public Safety Program, Hospitality Program, and the Student Development Center. The project will also include a large commons area. The funding for the project will come from 2008 Local General Obligation Bonds (\$12M, 2008 State General Obligation Bonds (\$6M), less Part 1(-\$900,000) for Jitas and Loop Road. The total project cost is \$17,100,000.

Regent Anaya moved, seconded by Regent Conniff, to approved the NMSU - Doña Ana Community College East Mesa Center Phases 6 and 7. The motion carried unanimously.

10. INFORMATIONAL

- (a) Budget Update (Senior Vice President Taylor)

Senior Vice President Taylor presented an update on the state appropriations budget. She presented the most current state revenue forecasts, and both authorized and projected state budgetary action as a result of the projections. The university's plans for addressing state budgetary action were summarized.

- (b) NMSU Research: Accomplishments, Challenges, and Future Direction
(Vice President Vimal Chaitanya)

Vice President Chaitanya presented the annual report on the university's research activities for 2009-2010, opportunities and challenges. Dr. Chaitanya's report included achievements with the National Alliance for Advanced Bio-fuels and Bio-Products, the Afghanistan Water, Agriculture and Technology Transfer Program, the effects of climate change on New Mexico's mountain snowmelt runoff, the Acequia water systems, the NSF Instrumentation Awards, and the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Pre-college and undergraduate Science Education Program. New Mexico State University has taken the lead in submitting a proposal to relocate the National Solar Observatory to the NMSU campus. NMSU has received the FAA Center of Excellence for Commercial Space Transportation Award. The Engineering Research Center partnered with the University of California-Berkley and the Colorado School of Mines submitted a proposal for an \$18 million award. NMSU has submitted a proposal for an Interdisciplinary Graduate Education and Research Traineeship: Biofuels for Aviation Award. The NMSU Model United Nations team has an outstanding international reputation for success at the NMUN conferences and have won many awards.

- (c) Report on NMSU Foundation "Doing What Counts" Campaign
(Vice President Nick Franklin)

Vice President Nick Franklin reported that the "Doing What Counts" seven-year campaign will end on December 1, 2010. The initial goal was \$150 million. Two years into the campaign a large in-kind gift was received for the College of Engineering which went over this amount in two years. The Board set another goal of \$225 million. At the Foundation reception, the current total was reported at \$256, 257, 511. Vice President Franklin commended Senior Vice President of Finance Administration at the Foundation Tina Byford, Vice President of Development Riis González, and Vice President of Alumni Outreach Debbie Widger for their important roles during the campaign. Regent Pino thanked and commended Vice President Franklin for his leadership and stewardship.

- (d) Strategic University Marketing - Recruiting the Undergraduate Class for Fall 2011
(Director Valerie Pickett)

Director Pickett reported on activities geared towards strategic undergraduate student recruitment for the fall 2011 semester. The Admissions Office has used the Hobson's EMT Connect management tool for the last two years and has been the most robust for undergraduate recruitment. Strategies for contacting and tracking communications with prospective students were discussed.

11. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Couture reported on activities since the last Board of Regents meeting.

12. REPORTS

(a) Faculty Senate Report by Dr. Andersen, Chair

Dr. Andersen reported the Faculty Senate will be considering a measure to change the name of the Human Nutrition and Food Science Program to Human Nutrition and Dietetic Science. Three new measures will be introduced to re-write the policy to establish and defining the Faculty Senate and include a definition of shared governance enabling policy for the Faculty Senate and will change the Faculty Senate Constitution to conform to the current practice for streamlined approval of policy changes.

(b) ASNMSU Report by Mr. Travis Dulany, President

Mr. Dulany reported that on October 16 ASNMSU hosted a student leadership conference. The conference highlighted diversity, overcoming apathy, and team work. After the conference, the community college student leadership from Grants, Alamogordo, Carlsbad and Doña Ana met to discuss credit transferability, student involvement, and the cost of education. Mr. Dulany thanked everyone involved in cleaning up the campus to prepare for Homecoming.

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

Ms. Bensley indicated that October 30 is was the last day nominate for membership on Employee Council. The new membership would be effective February 1.

13. OTHER

(a) Presentation of Check from New Mexico Department of Transportation Commission for Local Government Road Fund Project at NMSU-Las Cruces (Mr. John Hummer)

Mr. John Hummer presented a matching check to New Mexico State University in the amount of \$72,000 on behalf of the New Mexico Department of Transportation for the Sam Steele extension.

(b) Presentation of Resolution to Representative J. Paul Taylor

A resolution was presented to Representative J. Paul Taylor for serving the citizens of the state of New Mexico in many capacities.

(c) Presentation of Resolution to Senior Vice President Jennifer Taylor

A resolution was presented to Senior Vice President Jennifer Taylor for her 27 years

of service to New Mexico State University.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Regent Pino adjourned the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Socorro Saenz-Lobato.

Isaac J. Pino, Chair
Board of Regents

Blake B. Curtis, Secretary/Treasurer
Board of Regents