



NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF REGENTS SPECIAL MEETING WORK SESSION
July 31, 2017 8:00am-5:00pm August 1, 2017 8:00-11:15am

University Center and Residence, NMSU Las Cruces Campus
4501 Geothermal Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico

Dinner July 31, 2017 6:30-8:30pm at La Posta

Note: No dinner agenda, as no business is to be discussed.

Regents of New Mexico State University

Debra Hicks, Chair	Hobbs, New Mexico
Mike Cheney, Vice Chair	Las Cruces, New Mexico
Jerean Hutchinson, Secretary/Treasurer	Las Cruces, New Mexico
Kari Mitchell, Member	Las Cruces, New Mexico

University Officials

Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D.	Chancellor and President
Daniel Howard, Ph.D.	Executive Vice President and Provost
Andrew Burke, Ph.D.	Senior Vice President
Liz Ellis, J.D.	General Counsel

MEETING MINUTES

Approved by the Board of Regents on August 30, 2017

Monday, July 31, 2017 – DAY ONE

Chair Hicks convened the work session meeting at 8:00am. She stated Regent Amanda López Askin has resigned. Regents Hicks, Cheney, Hutchinson and Mitchell were present. Chancellor Carruthers, Provost Howard, Senior Vice President Burke, General Counsel Ellis and Margie Vela were also in attendance.

A. Progress on Vision 2020 Six Pillars

Enrollment, Retention, Graduation, Placement, Research, and Giving

1. Enrollment

Provost Howard shared a Fall 2017 enrollment forecast. Freshmen enrollment at the Las Cruces campus is projected to be approximately 2000 students at census. Discussion included institutional and instructional capacity, and opportunities to increase undergraduate enrollment through new markets. In addition, opportunities to invest in high demand, high profit professional masters programs were discussed, as well as conversion of current undergraduates into graduate school. Dean Reyes discussed graduate education opportunities. Associate Vice President Sedillo highlighted enhancements to institutional scholarships and their effectiveness in enticing well-qualified students.

Interim Associate Vice President Bannister shared marketing efforts. Discussion included messaging focused on NMSU achievements and rankings, and enrollment pipelines and potential new markets, including west Texas. Non-resident tuition policy, strategy and

revenue generation was discussed. Deputy Provost Fant discussed online education. Discussion included differential tuition and full utilization of the NMSU system.

2. Retention and Graduation

Dr. Hodges highlighted progress in setting up the Center for Academic Advising and Student Support. Meta major promotion and support was discussed. Provost Howard discussed achievement gaps. President Scott highlighted outcomes of the Aggie Pathway program. Efforts to enhance math and English remediation were discussed.

3. Placement and Research

Dr. Marin and Assistant Vice President Bosland shared graduate career outcomes. Interim Research Vice President Vazquez shared trends in research expenditures. Discussion included research investments and opportunities. Faculty workload and productivity was also discussed. Chair Brown discussed progress realized by the Faculty Senate task force in defining experiential learning and drafting a rule for consideration.

4. Giving – Fundraising and Revenue Generation

Item tabled due to time constraints.

B. Workforce and Productivity

Item tabled due to time constraints.

C. Strategic Budgeting

Item tabled due to time constraints.

The meeting recessed at 5:00pm as planned.

Tuesday, August 1, 2017 – DAY TWO

Chair Hicks resumed the work session meeting at 8:00am. Regents Hicks, Cheney, Hutchinson and Mitchell were present. Chancellor Carruthers, Provost Howard, Senior Vice President Burke, General Counsel Ellis and Margie Vela were also in attendance.

D. Board Operations

General Counsel Ellis shared thoughts on potential improvements intended to clarify the relationship between the Board of Regents, the Director of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture and the Chancellor. She also discussed potential changes to the by-laws to provide clarity and gain conformance with statute. Also discussed were Regent committee scope and charters, effective use of tablets for Board meetings, and meeting minute protocol.

E. Succession Planning

Item tabled due to time constraints.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10am.