



**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS
REGULAR MEETING
March 6, 2018 at 3:00pm**

Regents Room of the Educational Services Building
NMSU Las Cruces Campus, 1780 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico

Regents of New Mexico State University

Chair Debra Hicks, Vice Chair Kari Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer Jerean Hutchinson, Chris Saucedo, Margie Vela

Non-Voting Advisory Members - Faculty Senate Chair Christopher Brown, Ph.D., Employee Council Chair Monica Dunivan, ASNMSU President Kevin Prieto

University Officials - Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D., Executive Vice President and Provost Daniel Howard, Ph.D., Senior Vice President Andrew Burke, Ed.D., General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.

MINUTES

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A. Call to Order

Chair Hicks called the meeting to order at 3:43pm.

1. Introductions

Introduction of the Media, *Associate Vice President Justin Bannister*

Associate Vice President Bannister introduced several members of the media.

Introduction of Officials

-Newly appointed Regent Chris Saucedo, *Chair Debra Hicks*

Chair Hicks introduced new member of the Board of Regents Chris Saucedo. Regent Saucedo spoke of his roots in the Mesilla Valley and his pleasure in returning to serve the institution as regent.

-Employee Council Chair Monica Dunivan, *Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D. and Adam Cavotta*

Chancellor Carruthers introduced incoming Employee Council Chair Monica Dunivan.

-Faculty Senate Chair-Elect Becky Corran, *Provost Dan Howard, Ph.D. and Christopher Brown, Ph.D.*

Provost Daniel Howard introduced Faculty Senate Chair Elect Becky Corran.

2. Confirmation of Quorum, *Chair Debra Hicks*

All members of the Board were present: Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo and Vela.

3. Approval of the Agenda, *Chair Debra Hicks*

Regent Mitchell made a motion to approve the agenda with movement of agenda item G-2 Athletics Subcommittee Report to immediately follow public comment. Motion seconded and passed unanimously (Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo, Vela).

4. Public Comment, *Associate Vice President Justin Bannister*

20 individuals provided public comment: Christopher Brown, Michele Nishiguchi, Anne Hubbell, Bernd Leinauer, Julie Steinkopf, Brook Milligan, Margaret Malamud, James Coburn, Jon Hunner, Neil Harvey, Gary Roemer, Monique Martinez, Stu Munson-McGee, John Sandstrom, James McAteer, Stephen Lopez, Martha Desmond, Gary Rayson, Spencer Herrera, and Chris Hatch.

G. 2. Athletics Subcommittee Report, Regent Kari Mitchell *Moved during approval of the agenda.*

Regent Mitchell stressed the goal of investing in revenue generating opportunities for Athletics to reduce dependency on Instruction and General (I&G) funds. Subcommittee Chair Mickey Clute shared the charge of the committee to leverage recent and nationally prominent successes for greater and long standing athletic success. An investment in athletics now might gain a sizable return on that investment. There are concerns regarding retention of coaches, salaries, summer school costs and recruiting. Multiple options were presented in the report to increase the budget including I&G investment, debt forgiveness and debt payment extension. In addition, investments in athletics marketing, private fund generation, and alumni support were included in the report. Finally, opportunities to enhance the game experience and profit from concessions were examined.

Regent Mitchell made a motion to extend the athletics debt for an additional five years, with an immediate \$250,000-\$300,000 investment this fiscal year, preliminary metrics to measure effectiveness, annual progress report, and a three year evaluation of metrics. A letter will be submitted by Chancellor Carruthers and Chair Hicks to the Secretary of the Higher Education Department. Regular periodic review of athletics will continue to occur. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously (Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo, Vela). The Athletics Subcommittee will continue to examine long term opportunities.

B. Approval of the Minutes, Chair Debra Hicks

1. Special Meeting of February 12, 2018 @ 1:00pm
Regent Hutchinson moved approval of the minutes, motion seconded and motion approved (4-0). (Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Vela). Regent Saucedo abstained.
2. Confirmation of Prior Executive Session of March 6, 2018 @ 12:00pm
Regent Hicks-yes, Regent Hutchinson-yes, Regent Saucedo, Regent Vela-yes.
Regent Mitchell-yes (confirmed later in the meeting as she had momentarily stepped out earlier).
3. Confirmation of Prior Executive Session of March 6, 2018 @ 2:00pm
Regent Hicks-yes, Regent Hutchinson-yes, Regent Saucedo, Regent Vela-yes.
Regent Mitchell-yes (confirmed later in the meeting as she had momentarily stepped out earlier).

C. Awards and Recognitions, Chair Debra Hicks

1. **Athletics Awards, Athletics Director Mario Moccia**
Athletics Director Moccia recognized the regular season champion volleyball team and coach of the year Mike Jordan and the Arizona Bowl Champion football team.

D. Committee Reports - DEFERRED

1. *Audit and Risk Committee Report, Chair Debra Hicks*
2. *Real Estate Committee Report, Chair Debra Hicks*
3. *Financial Strategies, Performance and Budget Committee Report, Chair Kari Mitchell*
4. *Student Success Committee Report, Chair Jerean Hutchinson*

E. Recurring Reports - DEFERRED

1. *NMSU Faculty Senate Report, Chair Christopher Brown, Ph.D.*
2. *Associated Students of NMSU Report, President Kevin Prieto*
3. *NMSU Employee Council Report, Chair Monica Dunivan*
4. *Higher Education Regents Coalition Report, BOR Chair Debra Hicks*
5. *Aggie Development Inc. Report, President & CEO Scott Eschenbrenner*
6. *NMSU Foundation Report, President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
7. *Arrowhead Center Inc. Report, Chair Kevin Boberg, Ph.D.*

8. *New Mexico Department of Agriculture, Cabinet Secretary & Director Jeff Witte*

F. *Consent Items, Chair Debra Hicks*

Following consideration of item G-1, the Board considered the consent agenda.

Regent Mitchell moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion was seconded and motion passed unanimously (Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo and Vela).

1. **Temporary Investments Report for the Quarter ended December 31, 2017**, *Senior VP Andrew Burke, Ed.D.*
2. **Disposition/Deletion of Property**, *Senior Vice President Andrew Burke, Ed.D.*
3. **FY18 Parking Lot Funding**, *Associate VP Glen Haubold, University Architect Heather Watenpaugh*
4. **Engineering Complex III-Ed and Harold Foreman Engineering Complex, Suite 300 Renovation**, *Associate VP Glen Haubold, University Architect Heather Watenpaugh*
5. **Honorary Degree Recipient Nominees**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
6. **New Art Building Naming**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
7. **Spaces in the New Art Building Namings**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
8. **Mass Spectrometry Laboratory, Gardiner Hall Naming**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
9. **TECH Lab, O'Donnell Hall Naming**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
10. **McFie Circle Desert Landscape Garden Naming**, *Vice President Andrea Tawney, Ph.D.*
11. **Dona Ana Community College (DACC) – Hatch Learning Center**
Scott Eschenbrenner, Special Assistant to the President
12. **RPM 2.10, Non-Academic Units, Creating, Reorganizing, Relocating, Eliminating - Repeal**
General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.
13. **RPM 6.35, Mandatory Employee Training; Opportunities for Professional Development - Repeal**
General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.
14. **RPM 16.60, Responsible Alcohol Use – Revision**, *General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.*
15. **RPM 18.80, Tailgating Activities – Repeal**, *General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.*
16. **2018 Annual Open Meetings Notice Resolution**, *General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.*
17. **Access to Classified Information Resolution**, *NMSU Facility Security Officer Chris Scott*
18. **Cooperative Educational Services' Restated and Amended Joint Powers Agreement (Amendment 9)**,
General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.
19. **New Justice, Political Philosophy and Law (JPPL) Major within Philosophy at NMSU-Las Cruces**
Provost Daniel Howard, Ph.D.; Associate Dean Beth Pollack, Ph.D.; Professor Mark Walker, Ph.D.
20. **New Associate of Applied Science in Game Development Program at NMSU-DACC**
President Renay Scott
21. **Closure of Electrical Apprenticeship Program at NMSU-DACC**, *President Renay Scott*

22. **Closure of Library Science Program at NMSU-DACC, President Renay Scott**

23. **Closure of Paralegal Studies Program at NMSU-DACC, President Renay Scott**

G. **Action Items, Chair Debra Hicks**

1. **Letter of Intent with El Grupo Promotor for Development and Operation of NMSU Campus in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D. and Executive VP and Provost Daniel Howard, Ph.D.**
Provost Dan Howard shared an opportunity for NMSU to consider a branch campus in San Luis Potosi, Mexico and highlighted potential faculty and student exchanges.

Regent Mitchell made a motion to support a Letter of Intent to examine the viability of a branch campus. The motion was seconded and motion passed unanimously.

2. **Athletics Subcommittee Report, Regent Kari Mitchell** *MOVED BELOW ITEM A-4 ABOVE*

3. **Election of Officers, Chair Debra Hicks**

Regent Mitchell moved Debra Hicks serve as Chair of the Board of Regents, motion seconded, and motion approved 4-0 (Regents Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo, Vela). Regent Hicks abstained.

Regent Hutchinson moved Kari Mitchell serve as Vice Chair of the Board of Regents, motion seconded, and motion approved 4-0 (Regents Hicks, Hutchinson, Saucedo, Vela). Regent Mitchell abstained.

Regent Mitchell moved Jerean Hutchinson serve as Secretary Treasurer of the Board of Regents, motion seconded, and motion approved (Regents Hicks, Hutchinson, Mitchell, Saucedo, Vela).

H. **Informational Items, Chair**

1. **Chancellor's Report, Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, Ph.D.**

Chancellor Carruthers provided a brief update on applications, admitted students and scholarship awards.

2. **Provost's Report, Executive Vice President and Provost Daniel Howard, Ph.D.**

Provost Howard heralded the Higher Learning Commission's Reaffirmation of NMSU's Accreditation and commended the team, including Dr. Shelly Stovall, Dr. Chris Brown, Dr. Stuart Munson-McGee, Dr. Kevin Boberg, Dr. Luis Vazquez, Dr. David Smith, Dr. Kathy Brook and Dr. Bernadette Montoya.

3. **Summary of Revisions to the Administrative Rules and Procedures of NMSU (ARP) for the period 11/15/17 through 02/13/18, General Counsel Lizbeth Ellis, J.D.**

General Counsel Liz Ellis provided a brief summary of the revisions.

4. **Appointments to Committees and Bodies, Chair Debra Hicks**

Chair Hicks made the following appointments:

Regents Financial Strategies, Performance and Budget Committee – Regent Mitchell and Regent Saucedo

Regents Student Success Committee – Regent Hutchinson and Regent Mitchell

Regents Audit and Risk Committee – Regent Hicks and Regent Saucedo

Regents Real Estate Committee – Regent Hicks and Regent Vela

Foundation Board – Regent Hutchinson

Arrowhead Board – Regent Hicks and Regent Vela

San Luis Potosi Due Diligence – Regent Hicks

Honorary Degree –Regent Vela and Regent Hutchinson
Other committee members are to remain as previously appointed.

5. Search Committee Update, Regent Kari Mitchell

Search Committee met. Approximately 300 have expressed interest, with 50 being viable. Through multiple iterations, the list has been winnowed to 10 candidates for skype interviews. Wheelless Partners has expressed excitement at the level of candidate quality. The search planning subcommittee will be very engaged in hosting the candidates.

Chair Hicks participated in a conference call with the Higher Learning Commission and acknowledged appropriate controls remain in place.

I. Announcements, Chair

1. "Gun's Up" – Good News for NMSU!

Brief comments were provided highlighting good news at NMSU.

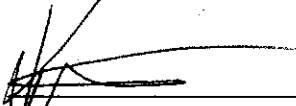
2. Upcoming Board of Regents Meetings

April 6, 2018 Special Meeting
May 11, 2018 Regular Meeting

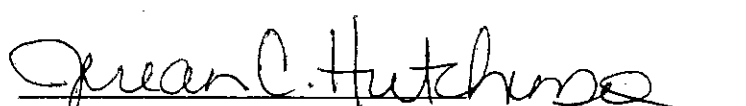
J. Adjournment, Chair

Regent Mitchell moved adjournment and the meeting was adjourned at 5:47pm.

Meeting Minutes Approved on June 29, 2018 by the New Mexico State University Board of Regents.



Debra P. Hicks
Board of Regents Chair



Jerean C. Hutchinson
Board of Regents Secretary/Treasurer