A. Call to Order, Chair Hicks called the meeting to order at 8:58 am.

1. Confirmation of Quorum

A quorum of regents was confirmed. Regents Vela, Hutchinson, and Mitchell were present in the chamber. Chair Hicks was present via conference call. Regent Saucedo was not in attendance.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Regent Hutchinson moved to amend the agenda and table items B-3, B-4, B-5 and add the Above and Beyond Award to the agenda. Second by Vela. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

B. Approval of the Minutes, Chair Debra Hicks

1. Special Work Session Meeting of March 6, 2018

Motion to approve by Regent Mitchell. Second by Regent Hutchinson. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

2. Regular Meeting of March 6, 2018

Motion to approve by Regent Hutchinson. Second by Regent Mitchell. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

3. Special Meeting of April 6, 2018

Tabled

4. Special Meeting of April 9, 2018

Tabled

5. Regular Meeting of May 11, 2018

Tabled

6. Special Meeting of May 22, 2018

Motion to approve by Regent Hutchinson. Second by Regent Mitchell. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

7. Special Meeting of May 25, 2018
Motion to approve by Regent Vela. Second by Regent Mitchell. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

C. **Above and Beyond Award** - *Chief Stephen Lopez*

The Above and Beyond Award was awarded to Gabriela Graham, Investigator with the NMSU Police Department. Chief Lopez noted that Ms. Graham came to NMSU after serving on the Las Cruces Police Department, participates in volunteer opportunities such as “Shop with a Cop” and works closely with victim services.

D. **Consent Items**, Chair Debra Hicks

General Counsel Liz Ellis noted that item D-4 is a resolution regarding road improvements requested by the Department of Transportation. Her interpretation of this resolution is that it then authorizes the chancellor to take whatever further necessary action to implement this resolution, including citing any memorandum of agreement that might be necessary for that purpose.

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented by Regent Mitchell. Second by Regent Hutchinson. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

1. **Operating Agreements for the Community Colleges**, General Counsel Liz Ellis
2. **Revision to RPM 15.65, Security Clearance (Department of Defense)**, General Counsel Liz Ellis
3. **Revision to RPM 1.10, NMSU System Policies and Procedures**, General Counsel Liz Ellis
4. **NMSU-Las Cruces – Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) Resolution**, AVP Glen Haubold, Executive Director Alton Looney

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

Regent Mitchell motioned to move to a closed meeting for discussion of agenda item E-1. The purpose of this closed session is to discuss the real estate transaction as authorized by the New Mexico Open Meetings Act NMSA Section 10.5.1 Subsection H8.

A roll call vote was called to move the meeting into closed session. Votes were cast as follows: Hicks: Yes; Hutchinson: Yes; Mitchell: Yes; Vela: Yes.

Session went into closed session at 9:14 am.

Open session resumed at 10:18 am.

An affirmation was given as follows: The board or regents went into closed executive session on Friday June 29th following an approved motion in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Those that were present certified that only matters of that nature were discussed. Hicks: Yes; Hutchinson: Yes; Mitchell: Yes; Vela: Yes.

1. **Quitclaim Deed for Property Transfer on Wisconsin Avenue**, Special Asst. Scott Eschenbrenner
Mr. Eschenbrenner provided information about a request for approval of Quitclaim Deed, Right of Repurchase, Agreement, and Assignment of Ground Lease to transfer 0.6894 acre tract of land located at the corner of South Locust Street and Wisconsin Avenue (Aggie Car Wash) and a 1.0616 acre tract of land located at 1815 E. Wisconsin Avenue (Kids Kountry Day Care), Las Cruces, Dona Ana County, New Mexico to the New Mexico State University Foundation, Inc (NMSU-F).

The Regents Real Estate Committee discussed this item on May 10, 2018 and a vote was conducted on June 1, 2018 with no objections from any members. The committee also recommend that the board that the funds be retained and reinvested in Aggie Development Inc. for future infrastructure development.

Regent Mitchell asked if a cost/benefit analysis was conducted for a sale vs. maintaining the property. Mr. Eschenbrenner responded that the revenues would be $5,350/year. There would be expenses In respect to maintenance on improvements and costs associated with bringing the building up to better standards (such as refrigerated air conditioning). The funds could be reinvested into Aggie Uptown. Aggie Uptown plans have been initially reviewed by the city and costs related to the construction could be approximately 2 million dollars to accommodate development. Rather than borrow money, revenue for real estate sales could help to cover this cost.

Regent Mitchell indicated that she was expecting a more detailed financial analysis of the cost/benefit related to this sale.

Mr. Eschenbrenner estimated that a more detailed business plan related to these types of real estate uses will be available in the next two months.

Motion to approve the Quitclaim Deed for Property Transfer on Wisconsin Avenue as presented by Regent Hutchinson. Second by Regent Vela. Motion passed 4-0 (Hicks, Mitchell, Hutchinson, Vela).

F. **Informational Items, Chair Debra Hicks**

Chancellor Arvizu provided an update regarding the campus visit by Wheless Partners. The Wheless team met with senior management, faculty and staff to begin the process of providing President Floros and Chancellor Arvizu with recommendations for how to create an environment that can transform our university system to be more effective and more responsive in achieving enrollment and retention goals. The intent is to have a set of strategic imperatives by September 30th that will be pursued over the next year.

Regent Mitchell congratulated Chair Hicks on receiving the Paul Harris Award.

G. **Announcements, Chair Debra Hicks**

1. **Upcoming Board of Regents Meetings**

   BOR Regular Meeting - Strategic Planning Retreat – August 2018 TBD

   Chair Hicks indicated that there is no date set for the retreat and the chair of the board of regents will coordinate with the chair of the foundation board so they can have a joint meeting at the retreat.
H. Adjournment, Chair Debra Hicks
Regent Mitchell moved to adjourn and Regent Hutchinson seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.

Meeting Minutes Approved on September 5, 2018 by the New Mexico State University Board of Regents.

Debra P. Hicks  
Board of Regents Chair

Jereh C. Hutchinson  
Board of Regents Secretary/Treasurer