

MINUTES OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE NMSU FACULTY SENATE  
FACULTY SENATE CHAMBERS, GARCIA ANNEX  
January 14, 2010

Members Present: Erickson (Chair), Andersen (Vice Chair), Amato, Bailey, Baker, Baptiste, Bloomquist, Bosman, Brown, de Boyrie, Chung, Dean, Dormody, González, Hardee, Holtzman, Hubbell, Huttlinger, Jimenez, Ketelaar, Kozel, Lopez, Mathis, McNeel, Montañez, Morrell, Munson-McGee, Murrell, Nishiguchi, K. Oliver, R. Oliver, Osanloo, Rayson, Schultz, Stanford, Storm, St. Hilaire, Teich, Thompson, Torres, Walker, Weisiger, Whittlesey-Jerome, Wojahn.

Members Absent: Blank, Buckholz, Bugbee, Chaiken, Erben, Fitzpatrick, Hampton, Huang, Idriss, Knight, McCormick, Ni, Oretskin, Ranade, Reyes, Rice.

Ex Officio Members Present: President Couture, Jacquez, Chappell.

Guests: Bobbie Derlin, Assoc. VP Student Success/Assoc Dean, CEL; Marina Simpson, CEL/Student Council President.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Erickson at 4 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

3. NMSU President Barbara Couture

In her first address to the Faculty Senate, Dr. Couture said she is eager to learn more about the faculty and NMSU, noting that she has a very good staff and more very good advisors who are helping her prepare for the legislative session, and has met with legislators regarding finances. We are all concerned about the compensation package. Having served previously at 3 research universities she knows the importance of maintaining good competitive salaries, and will be working cooperatively with other NM universities and colleges on finances. Meeting with Chair Erickson and Vice Chair Andersen, she was pleased with the focus and direction of faculty senate legislation plans and goals. Legislators have told her that they believe NMSU is a cohesive community, the faculty really cares about students, our research is beneficial to all the people of NM, and students receive a good education, entering the work force with a good work ethic. She attended the NM County Extension Agents conference last week; Senator Jimenez said he hopes she utilizes the extension agents, who work with local issues, as there is a direct relationship between them and our legislators.

4. Approval of Agenda

Chair Erickson asked that Proposition 11-09/10: Proposal to Amend Undergraduate Course Catalog for Student Participation in Extracurricular Activities While Under Academic Warning

and Academic Probation (Bailey, St. Hilaire, ACES) be removed from the agenda at this time so it can be more widely circulated among the faculty and submitted to ADAC and ADC before being introduced to the FS. The motion to approve his request carried, and the motion to approve the agenda as amended carried. (Appendix A)

5. Approval of Minutes of December 3, 2009, Faculty Senate Meeting

The minutes of the December 3, 2009, Faculty Senate meeting were approved as distributed.

6. Reports of Officers

A. Chair's Report

Chair Erickson reviewed his report which was distributed earlier on the FS listserv. (Appendix B)

B. Vice Chair's Report

Vice Chair Andersen reviewed his activities for the past month. In an update to the research faculty designation situation, the HR department says it has no continuing objections to implementing this policy, and post-docs can be hired without a national search. (Appendix C)

7. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Faculty Affairs: William Storm, Chair

Chair Storm reported that no legislation was assigned to his committee so they did not meet.

B. Long Range Planning: Stuart Munson-McGee, Chair

Chair Munson-McGee reported that no legislation was assigned to his committee so they did not meet.

C. Scholastic Affairs: Tracey Thompson, Chair

Chair Thompson reported that no legislation was assigned to this committee so they did not meet.

D. University Affairs: Harry Hardee, Chair

Chair Hardee reported that no legislation was assigned to this committee so they did not meet.

8. Other Reports

"A Model Resolution on Intercollegiate Athletics for Faculty Senators" prepared by the Council on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) was provided by Senator Huttlinger and distributed earlier on

the FS listserv. Chair Erickson noted that we are already in compliance with Section 1. *Faculty Governance*. NMSU Foundation Board members will speak at the next FS meeting and they will be asked to address Section 4. *University Advancement*. (Appendix D)

## 9. New Business

- A. Proposition 09-09/10 Proposal to Amend NMSU's Promotion and Tenure Policy Regarding Scholarship and Creative Activity [Re CCs] (Buckholz, Carlsbad CC; Erben, Grants CC; González, DACC; McNeel, Alamogordo CC) was introduced by Co-sponsor González. She said this proposition comes out of a charge issued by former Interim Provost Cruzado to develop a P & T policy that would fit all the community colleges. There is a need to clarify and define the evaluation of professional development as applied in the CCs. Assigned to the Faculty Affairs Committee which will meet 1/19/10. (Appendix E)
- B. Proposition 10-09/10 Summer Compensation (Ketelaar, Brown, Nishiguchi, A & S; Munson-McGee, Engineering) was introduced by Co-sponsor Ketelaar. This proposed revision to the Policy Manual refers to external funding, and would allow faculty to be compensated consistent with current federal guidelines; it has no fiscal impact on NMSU. Assigned to the Long Range Planning Committee which will meet 1/21/10. (Appendix F)

## 10. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

## 11. Other Business

### A. Nominations for Faculty Senate Chair 2010-2011

Chair Erickson had previously announced that he is not standing for reelection. Stuart Munson-McGee was nominated by Senator de Boyrie, Ellen Bosman was nominated by Senator Thompson, Mark Andersen was nominated by Senator Brown, and Loui Reyes (who was not present but had previously agreed) were nominated and accepted; Senator Tom Dormody was nominated by Senator Jimenez but declined. The nominees gave brief statements of their experience and qualifications. Paper ballots were distributed, collected and counted. Mark Andersen, with 32 votes, and Stuart Munson-McGee, with 26 votes, were selected as next year's FS Chair candidates.

- B. Chair Erickson asked for a volunteer to serve on the committee which will design the new Health Services Center.

## 12. Announcements

- A. Chair Erickson asked for a volunteer to serve on the committee which will design the new Health Services Center. He announced that at yesterday's Board of Regents meeting the Board voted to issue \$82 million in bonds with interest at 3.93% to fund various building projects. Senator Amato will serve on that committee.

B. Senator Brown asked if the BOR has agreed to let the Faculty Senate Chair or another FS representative sit in on parts of their executive sessions to be available to answer questions and provide more information. Chair Erickson said he has asked but has not yet received a response.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Meek  
Faculty Senate Recording Secretary

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Christopher A. Erickson, Faculty Senate Chair

Date