

MINUTES OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE NMSU FACULTY SENATE  
FACULTY SENATE CHAMBERS, GARCIA ANNEX  
February 4, 2010

Members Present: Erickson (Chair), Amato, Bailey, Baker, Baptiste, Blank, Bloomquist, Bosman, Buckholz, Bugbee, Chaiken, Chung, Dean, Dormody, Erben, Fitzpatrick, González, Hardee, Holtzman, Hubbell, Ketelaar, Kozel, Lopez, McCormick, McNeel, Montañez, Morrell, Munson-McGee, Murrell, Ni, Nishiguchi, K. Oliver, R. Oliver, Oretskin, Osanloo, Rayson, Reyes, Schultz, Storm, St. Hilaire, Thompson, Walker, Weisiger, Whittlesey-Jerome, Wojahn.

Members Absent: Andersen (Vice Chair), Brown, de Boyrie, Hampton, Huang, Huttlinger, Idriss, Jimenez, Knight, Mathis, Ranade, Rice, Stanford, Teich, Torres.

Ex Officio Members Present: Jordan, Jacquez, Titus, Chappell.

Guests: Mike Johnson, Chair, NMSU Foundation Board; Nick Franklin, President, NMSU Foundation Board/VP, University Advancement; Riis Gonzales, Asst. VP, University Advancement; Laura Grant, DE/CEL (for Derlin); Margaret Lovelace, Carlsbad CC, Hank Strevel, ASNMSU Representative to the FS; Former FS Chair Donna Alden, DACC.

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Erickson at 4:00 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

3. Budget Update: Ricardo Rel, Asst VP, Government Relations (by speaker phone from Santa Fe)

Reporting by speaker phone from Santa Fe, Mr. Rel said that half-way through this session agreement on the budget is still not in sight. Declines in revenues and increased allocations need to be adjusted which is proving very difficult. Five important House and Senate bills are still in play. We will no doubt see a tuition increase, especially as we did not receive a workload credit this year. The good news is that about \$175 million is available in bonding capacity and allocations have been made to NMSU bond issues. See the Legislative Priorities Report on the NMSU website for additional details.

Chair Erickson reported that at Monday's Board of Regents meeting the BOR specifically instructed the president to ensure faculty involvement in the process of dealing with these issues.

4. NMSU Foundation Overview

Mr. Franklin gave a power point presentation of the history, officers and structure, functions, financial operations including investments and distributions, and current financial status of the NMSU Foundation. Their sole mission is to raise money to support NMSU programs. The Foundation is not a part of NMSU; a Memorandum of Understanding between the NMSU Board of Regents and the Foundation establishes their relationship. Their present budget is \$2.5 million but the budget and financial status have varied over the years in relation to economic conditions. Investments are made through the investment committee, many members of which are NMSU graduates. The foundation annually distributes 4% from the earnings on the endowments to NMSU; 2009 distribution = \$4.4 million; another \$4.4 million in "donor intent" funds was also

distributed. Their present campaign goal is to raise \$225 million by December 2010; as of 12/31/09 approximately \$17 million more is needed to reach that goal. Major contributions will be made to the new Arts Center. See their website at <http://giving.nmsu.edu/websiteoverview> for additional detailed information.

Mr. Johnson said their aim with this presentation (which is being made to a number of NMSU entities) is to increase their transparency to the NMSU community, and hope to increase faculty donations. This is the first capital campaign that NMSU has ever had.

5. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as distributed.

6. Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2010, Faculty Senate Meeting

The minutes of the January 14, 2010, Faculty Senate meeting were approved as submitted.

7. Reports of Officers

A. Chair's Report

Chair Erickson reviewed his report of January 2010 activities which was distributed earlier on the FS listserv. (Appendix A)

B. Vice Chair's Report

No report; Vice Chair Andersen is out of town.

8. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Faculty Affairs: William Storm, Chair

Chair Storm reported that the committee met to study Proposition 09-09/10 (P & T Policy re CC's), made modest changes in language and recommended Do Pass as Amended. The motion to accept his report was approved.

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

Chair Munson-McGee reported that the committee met to study Proposition 10-09/10 (Summer Compensation). Two friendly amendments were made which were accepted by the bill's authors. The committee then recommended "Do Pass as Amended". The motion to accept his report was approved.

C. Scholastic Affairs: Tracey Thompson, Chair

Chair Thompson reported that the committee had no business to consider and did not meet.

D. University Affairs: Harry Hardee, Chair

Chair Hardee reported that the committee had no business to consider and did not meet.

## 9. Other Reports

- A. Senator Gary Rayson, FS representative to the COIA Annual Meeting, reported on the topics discussed at that meeting. A detailed copy of his report will be distributed on the FS listserv shortly after this meeting. Kathleen Huttlinger, FS Representative to the COIA, was not able to attend. (Appendix B)
- B. Senator Nancy Baker, FS representative to the Pornography Policy Review Task Force, reported on their activities this fall to clarify and change the language in NMSU Policy Manual Section 3.75. Their proposal is currently going through reviews with various NMSU councils and will be presented to the FS later this spring. (Appendix C)
- C. Senator Gary Rayson reported that the Graduate Council is preparing two items of legislation they hope to present to the FS next month.

## 10. New Business

There was no new business.

## 11. Unfinished Business

- A. Proposition 09-09/10 Amended: 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 presented and reviewed by Co-sponsor Buckholz and Donna Alden, noting that this is consistent with the best practices of other community colleges. The motion to approve this bill passed with two nays, one abstention (Appendix D)
- B. Proposition 10-09/10 Summer Compensation (Ketelaar, Brown, Nishiguchi, A & S; Munson-McGee, Engineering) was presented and reviewed by Co-Sponsor Ketelaar. The motion to approve this bill carried unanimously. (Appendix E)

## 12. Other Business

There was no other business.

## 13. Announcements

- A. FS Chair made the following announcements:
  - a) Appeals Boards nominees due at March meeting
    - 1) Faculty Review Board needs 1 member, 1 alternate
    - 2) University Appeals Board needs 2 members, 2 alternates
  - b) Call for nominations for one College Faculty Senator position to replace Senator Lopez who is retiring.

- B. Senator Osanloo announced that "Dancing Towards Equality: An Evening with the Creators of *Prom Night in Mississippi*" will be Tuesday, 2/16 at the CCSU Auditorium. (Appendix E)
- C. Senator Weisiger announced that she wants to form a pilot program concerning problems with plagiarism and is seeking volunteers; please contact her.
- D. Dean Titus encouraged everyone to review the NMSU website for information on the status of the College of Education Dean Search.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Meek  
Faculty Senate Recording Secretary

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Christopher A. Erickson, Faculty Senate Chair

Date