

MINUTES OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE NMSU FACULTY SENATE
FACULTY SENATE CHAMBERS, GARCIA ANNEX
April 1, 2010

Members Present: Erickson (Chair), Andersen (Vice Chair), Amato, Bailey, Baptiste, Bosman, Brown, Buckholz, Chaiken, Dean, Dormody, González, Hardee, Holtzman, Huttlinger, Jimenez, Ketelaar, Knight, Lopez, Mathis, McCormick, McNeel, Montañez, Murrell, K. Oliver, R. Oliver, Oretskin, Osanloo, Rayson, Schultz, Storm, St. Hilaire, Thompson, Torres, Walker, Whittlesey-Jerome.

Members Absent: Baker, Blank, Bloomquist, Bugbee, de Boyrie, Chung, Erben, Fitzpatrick, Hampton, Huang, Hubbell, Idriss, Kozel, Morrell, Munson-McGee, Ni, Nishiguchi, Ranade, Reyes, Rice, Stanford, Teich, Weisiger, Wojahn.

Ex Officio Members Present: Jordan, Titus, Chappell.

Guests: Bobbie Derlin, Assoc. VP Student Success/Assoc Dean, CEL Ricardo Rel, Asst. V.P., Government Affairs Office; Vicente Vargas, Director, State Government Affairs, Government Relations; Hank Strevel, ASNMSU Representative to the FS; Paul Gutierrez, VP, Outreach and Engagement; Maria A. Flores, Las Cruces Public Schools; Liz Miller, NMSU Library; Steve Ludington, DACC; Stephen DeGiulio, DACC.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Erickson at 4:05 pm.

2. Recognition of Guests

Chair Erickson recognized and introduced today's guests.

3. Speakers

A. Budget Report: Ricardo Rel

Dr. Rel presented and discussed the power point presentation he delivered earlier to the BOR summarizing the legislature's actions to this point. Since the regular legislative session ended without a final resolution of the budget, this report will be updated to provide final information. His presentation and supporting documents can be found on the NMSU website home page, Legislative Priorities. (Appendix A)

B. David Boje: AAUP and the Status of Unionization of Faculty

Dr. Boje, Chair of the NMSU AAUP Organizing Committee, distributed information about the AAUP which is being reactivated on the NMSU campus and is seeking new members. He reviewed reasons why AAUP membership could be valuable to the faculty as an independent voice contributing to shared governance in our administrative actions and policies. Chair Erickson encouraged the faculty to consider looking into the AAUP which has chapters on many US campuses. (Appendixes B, C)

4. Approval of Agenda

Senator/Sponsor Brown moved that Proposition 17-09/10 be withdrawn. Chair Erickson explained that Dr. Couture did not support it and thought that the BOR also would not support it, but suggested that he call BOR Chair Pino and discuss options with him. Mr. Pino said he would not support it but said the BOR is considering putting the FS Chair on non-executive committees for more input. Senator Brown added that efforts are underway to add a voting faculty member to the BOR, but achieving this would require the approval of the state legislature. The motion to approve the amended agenda carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes of March 4, 2010, Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes of the March 4, 2010, Faculty Senate meeting were approved as submitted.

6. Reports of Officers

A. Chair's Report

Chair Erickson reviewed his March report which was sent earlier on the FS listserv. (Appendix E)

B Vice Chair's Report

Vice Chair Andersen reviewed his March report which was sent earlier on the FS listserv. He added that he has called for nominations for new regular and alternate members of the University Appeals Board and the Faculty Salary Review Board and asks that names be emailed to him. (Appendix F)

7. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Faculty Affairs: William Storm, Chair

Chair Storm reported that the committee had no legislation to consider and did not meet.

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

Chair Munson-McGee reported that the committee had no legislation to consider and did not meet.

C. Scholastic Affairs: Tracey Thompson, Chair

Chair Thompson reported that the committee studied Proposition 12-09/10 (Service Learning), made some language changes, and voted "Do Pass as Amended". The motion to accept her report carried.

D. University Affairs: Harry Hardee, Chair

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

8. Other Reports

Senator Brown read an announcement from Senator Hubbell reporting the sudden passing of her colleague Dr. Rebecca Verser and asking faculty to join in her memorial service this evening.

9. New Business

- A. 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) was introduced by Co-sponsor Bailey, and assigned to the Scholastic Affairs Committee which will meet 4/13/10. (Appendix G)
- B. Proposition 14-09/10: Proposal to Modify the NMSU Faculty Grievance Policy “4.05.50 Appeals – Faculty” so as to Replace the *University Appeals Board* and the *Review Board of Faculty Salary Increase/Performance* with the *Faculty Grievance Review Board (FGRB)* (Rayson, A & S) was introduced by Sponsor Rayson, and assigned to the Faculty Affairs Committee which will meet 4/6/10. (Appendix H)
- C. Proposition 15-09/10: A Proposal to Modify University Policy on Emeritus Status (Reyes, Osanloo, Lopez, Baptiste, Education) was introduced by Co-sponsor Osanloo who said its purpose is to add College Faculty. Assigned to the Faculty Affairs Committee which will meet April 6, 2010. (Appendix I)
- D. Proposition 16-09/10: Proposal for Graduate Degrees in Water Science and Water Management (Brown, A & S; Huttlinger, CHSS) [UA] was introduced by Co-sponsor Brown and assigned to the University Affairs Committee which will meet April 15, 2010. (Appendix J)
- E. *Proposition 17-09/10 Withdrawn*
- F. Proposition 18-09/10: Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology (Bloomquist, Bailey, Montañez, ACES; Munson-McGee, Engineering) was introduced by Co-sponsor Munson-McGee and assigned to the University Affairs Committee which will meet April 15, 2010. (Appendix K)
- G. Proposition 19-09/10: Revision of Policy Manual, Section 3.75: Non-work Related Use of University Resources (Ellen Bosman, Library; Nancy Baker, A & S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Bosman and assigned to the Long Range Planning Committee which will meet April 8, 2010. (Appendix L)

10. Unfinished Business

- A. Proposition 12-09/10 Amended: A Memorial Concerning the Establishment of an Office of Service Learning (Osanloo, Education; Schultz, CHSS; Oliver, Business) [SA]. Co-sponsor Osanloo discussed the proposition and the amendments made in committee. Ms. Flores spoke in support of this proposition on behalf of the Las Cruces Public Schools. SA Committee member Knight offered two friendly amendments, changing the name to "*System-wide Committee on Service Learning*" and adding Community Colleges representation on the committee; both amendments were accepted by the sponsors. The motion to approve this proposition carried unanimously. Chair Erickson said that President Couture supports Service Learning and wants to see this committee established this summer. (Appendix M)

11. Other Business

Call for Faculty Senate or Faculty Representative to Corbett Center Student Union. There were no volunteers, so Chair Erickson asked that anyone interested in this short-term position please email him.

12. Announcements

A. Senator Rayson announced that information on Blackboard improvements is available, please contact him for details.

B. Dr. Jordan announced that faculty are now being reviewed with respect to the P & T policy

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Faculty Senate Recording Secretary

Christopher A. Erickson, Faculty Senate Chair

Date