

MINUTES OF THE 3RD MEETING
of the
NMSU FACULTY SENATE
Domenici Hall, Room 106
November 06, 2014, 4:00 p.m.

SENATORS PRESENT: Chair Munson-McGee, Vice-Chair Blank, Abbott, Acharya, Amatya, Arakawa, Baker, Bawazir, Berning, Billings, Bronstein, Brown, Corran, Dawe, Dean, Goehring, Huang, Huhmann, Jimenez, Leon, Mandabach, McAteer, McCormick, Mora, Morandi, Morgan, Querty, Reinhardt, Rice, Roark-Diehl, Sassenfeld, Schirmer, Simon, Smith, Sohn, Turner, Vasiliev, Villa, Wear (37)

SENATORS ABSENT: Andersen, Barney, Bishop, Bock, Butler, Campbell, Christensen, Creamer, Fisher, Gutierrez, Miller, Oesterreich, Rayson, Spencer, Van Winkle, Vazquez, Zhang (20)

EX-OFFICIO: Dr. Dan Howard, NMSU Executive Vice President and Provost; Karen Reid, Employee Council Liaison

GUESTS: Steve Loring, Associate Director, Agricultural Experiment Station Administration

1. Call to Order

This meeting was called to order by Faculty Senate Chair Munson-McGee at 4:00 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

a. Presentation on “Digital Measures Enhancements” by Steve Loring, ACES

Digital Measures helps Faculty:

1. Perform annual performance evaluations by keeping everything in a central location.
2. Provides a uniform set of documentation, and reduces redundancies in the form of multiple requests through the year.
3. Reduces the need for administrators to repeatedly request the same information from Faculty each year.

Discussion:

Digital measures are there, but there is still the issue of paper and large documents. It has been difficult to deal with paper and printing an analog document because it becomes cumbersome. ACES and some other departments are not printing. Digital Measures does not always allow all the information (attachments) that department heads want to see. Tenure packages are also an issue.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve amended agenda moved and seconded; no opposition or abstention. Agenda approved as submitted.

4. Approval of Minutes of October 02, 2014 meeting

Move to approve minutes made and seconded. Minutes unanimously approved as submitted.

5. Reports of Officers

a. FS Chair, Stuart Munson-McGee

- Working on Aggie pathway to Baccalaureate.
- Free speech task force is working on getting a policy made.
- The search for a new athletic director is progressing.
- There is currently a discussion with the Grad School about adding titles of dissertation and thesis on transcripts. There is concern about accuracy and turnaround time for getting

this done. Due dates for defenses might need to be adjusted because of additional time needed to check / verify.

b. FS Vice Chair, Larry Blank

- Report was posted to the website.
- ADAC now recognizes the Faculty Senate Vice-Chair as a full voting member.

6. Reports of Standing Committees

Faculty Affairs: James Rice

The committee met Oct 14, 2014 and considered propositions 10-14/15, 11-14/15, & 12-14/15
Senate Votes:

Prop 10-14/15: Committee voted “due pass as amended”.

Motion to accept report moved and seconded. Report accepted.

Prop 11-14/15: Committee voted “Do not pass”.

Move to accept report of committee made and seconded. Senate voted unanimously in favor, no discussion. Proposition is dead.

Prop 12-14/15: Committee voted “due pass”.

Motion to accept report moved and seconded. Report unanimously accepted.

Discussion:

The Faculty Senate FS Constitution allows us to form a committee as needed. This will be the mechanism to help us to address Government Affairs issues as they come up, if there is no longer a Government Affairs committee.

Long Range Planning: Ram Acharya

The committee met and considered propositions 08-14/15, & 09-14/15.

Prop 08-14/15: Committee voted “due pass”.

Move to accept report of committee made and seconded. Senate voted unanimously in favor, no discussion. Report accepted.

Prop 09-14/15: Committee voted “due pass”.

Move to accept report of committee made and seconded. Senate voted unanimously in favor, no discussion. Report accepted.

University Affairs: Liz Schirmer

The committee met and considered propositions 06-14/15, & 07-14/15

Prop 06-14/15: Committee voted “due pass as amended”.

Move to accept report of committee made and seconded. Senate voted unanimously in favor, no discussion. Report accepted.

Prop 07-14/15: Committee voted “due pass”.

Move to accept report of committee made and seconded. Senate voted unanimously in favor, no discussion. Report accepted.

Scholastic Affairs: Deb McCormick

Proposition assigned to the committee was tabled. Committee did not meet

Government Affairs: Larry Blank

Committee did not meet

7. New Business

Proposition 13-14/15: A Proposition to create a new degree program at NMSU-Alamogordo entitled: “Associate of Science in Allied Health.” (K. Roark-Diehl (NMSU-A), A. Reinhardt (HSS))

Assigned to Scholastic Affairs, meeting Tuesday, Nov 18th.

Proposition 14-14/15: Support for NMSU’s participation in the Bicycle Friendly University Program and development of Bicycle Friendly Transportation infrastructure, education, encouragement, enforcement, and evaluation. (Rebecca Creamer (ACES), Christopher Brown (A&S), Laurie Abbott (ACES), Bruce Huhmann (Business))

Assigned to Long Range Planning, meeting Thursday, Nov 13th.

Proposition 15-14/15: A Proposition to Add “Section B, Part 11” to the Faculty Senate By-Laws Defining the Calculation Procedure for Allocating Senators from the Las Cruces Campus (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), P.K. Andersen (Eng), G. Rayson (A&S))
Assigned to Long Range Planning, meeting Thursday, Nov 13th.

Proposition 16-14/15: A Memorial in Honor of Maribeth Olberding (Pat Morandi (A&S))
Proposed as emergency legislation.

8. Unfinished Business

Proposition 06-14/15: A Memorial Requesting/Demanding a Change in Policy Regarding Graduate Assistant Pay Schedule. (Gary Rayson (A&S))
University Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 07-14/15: A Resolution Changing the Number of Credit Hours Required for Full Time Status of Graduate Students for Tuition Calculation. (Gary Rayson (A&S))
University Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass with amendments”.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 08-14/15: A Proposition to Modify “Article VII – Committees” of the Faculty Senate Constitution to Remove the Duties of the Committees to the By-Laws (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G. Rayson (A&S), L. Blank (Business))
Long Range Planning committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 09-14/15: A Proposition to Modify “Section C – Job Descriptions” of the Faculty Senate By-Laws (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G. Rayson (A&S), L. Blank (Business))
Long Range Planning committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 10-14/15: A Proposition to Modify the Faculty Senate Constitution to Include Nontenure-Track Faculty Representation on the Senate Leadership Committee (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G. Rayson (A&S), L. Blank (Business))
Faculty Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 11-14/15: A Proposition to Modify Section C. 1. of the Faculty Senate Bylaws to create a Sub-Committee on Government Affairs under the Senate Leadership Committee. (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G. Rayson (A&S), L. Blank (Business))
Faculty Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “Do Not Pass”
Move to accept made and seconded. Proposition is dead.

Proposition 12-14/15: A Proposition to Modify “Article VII – Committees” Section B.3. of the Faculty Senate Constitution to Remove the Government Affairs Committee (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G. Rayson (A&S), L. Blank (Business))
Faculty Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.
Move to approve made and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

Proposition 16-14/15: A Memorial in Honor of Maribeth Olberding (Pat Morandi (A&S))
Motion to pass proposition moved and seconded. Proposition unanimously approved by Senate.

9. Other Business

- a. Formation of a working group to study Community College representation on Faculty Senate.
Volunteers are needed. Email FS recording secretary to volunteer for this working group.
Formation of a working group on “120 Credit” minimum for NMSU Baccalaureate degrees.
Volunteers are needed. Email FS recording secretary to volunteer for this working group.

10. Remarks and Announcements

- a. FS Chair
- b. FS Vice-Chair/SLC Chair
The Student Senate supports the work on the 120 credit minimum.

11. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned by Chair Munson-McGee at 4:57 p.m.

LEGISLATION APPENDIX

Proposition 01-14/15: A proposition to change the department name from “Human Performance Dance and Recreation”

Legislation approved by NMSU President 10/19/2014.

Proposition 02-14/15: A Proposition to Allow Dependent Tuition Reduction for Graduate Courses by Modifying Policy 7.05Ed

Legislation approved by NMSU President 10/19/2014.

Proposition 03-14/15: A Proposition to Modify the Duties of the Faculty Senate Leadership Committee as Defined in the Faculty Senate Constitution

Legislation not approved by committee.

Proposition 04-14/15: Proposition to Establish a Graduate Certificate Program in Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD)

Legislation approved by NMSU President 10/19/2014.

Proposition 05-14/15: Jack Monagle Memorial

Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 09/04/2014.

Proposition 06-14/15: A Memorial Requesting/Demanding a Change in Policy Regarding Graduate Assistant Pay Schedule.

University Affairs committee reviewed this legislation and recommended “due pass” unanimously.

Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 11/06/2014.

Proposition 07-14/15: A Resolution Changing the Number of Credit Hours Required for Full Time Status of Graduate Students for Tuition Calculation.

Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 11/06/2014.

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Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 11/06/2014.

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Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 11/06/2014.

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Legislation approved by Faculty Senate 11/06/2014.

Proposition 11-14/15: A Proposition to Modify Section C. 1. of the Faculty Senate Bylaws to create a Sub-Committee on Government Affairs under the Senate Leadership Committee.

Legislation did not pass committee.

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