

MINUTES OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE NMSU FACULTY SENATE
Faculty Senate Chambers, Garcia Annex
April 5, 2012

Members Present: Munson-McGee, Chair; Ketelaar, Vice Chair; Alexander, Bailey, Barello, Bawazir, Blair, Blank, Bloomquist, Boham, Bugbee, Dean, Drummond, Gutierrez, Hawkes, Herrera, Jimenez, Krishnan, Kozel, Lakey, Malamud, McCormick, Murrell, Oliver, Oretskin, Paz, Rayson, Rhein, Sanogo, Shuster, Skaggs, Train, Clason (Parliamentarian).

Members Absent: Andersen, Baptiste, Bishop, Christensen, Chung, Cowley, DeMers, Gurrola, Huang, Huerta-Charles, Huhmann, Kratzke, Lapid, Maratea, McNeel, Miller, Morrell, Ni, Osanloo, Pontelli, Rice, Sankaran, Schirmer, Sevostianov, Storm, St. Hilaire, Taylor, Vazquez, Walker.

Ex Officio Members Present: Bosman.

Guests: Marieka Brown, Communications Studies (Center for Intensive Training in English); Alice Poole, Communication Studies (Academic English Program); Lisa Warren, University Associate Counsel.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Munson-McGee at 4:08 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

Chair Munson-McGee recognized and welcomed today's guests.

3. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to move Proposition 09-11/12 from Unfinished Business to New Business, then approved as amended.

4. Approval of Minutes of March 1, 2012, Faculty Senate Meeting

The minutes were not available for review and approval. and will be distributed at the May meeting.

5. Reports of Officers

A. Faculty Senate Chair Stuart Munson-McGee

Chair Munson-McGee reported that he attended this morning's Board of Regents' meeting. They viewed and discussed the 2012-2013 Budget Power Point presentation. (See the BOR website for a copy of the Budget PP.) He also reported that a new health care option will be introduced from HR in April. The new and improved FS Website was launched in late March; view it at [://www2.nmsu.edu/~facultysenate/](http://www2.nmsu.edu/~facultysenate/) and send him your comments.

B. Faculty Senate Vice Chair/CoC Chair Tim Ketelaar

Vice Chair Ketelaar's report was sent on the FS listserv earlier.

6. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Faculty Affairs: Del Jimenez, Chair

Chair Jimenez reported that the committee studied Proposition 13-11/12 (Burden of Proof) as reworked by Lisa Warren (University Counsel Office), made clarifying amendments as instructed, then voted to recommend "Do Pass as Amended". His report was accepted by the FS.

B. Long Range Planning: Gary Rayson, Chair

Chair Rayson reported that the committee again studied Proposition 12-11/12 (IELTS/TOEFL), amended some data as they felt most appropriate, then voted to recommend "Do Pass as Amended". His report was accepted by the FS.

C. Scholastic Affairs: Deborah McCormick, Chair

Chair McCormick reported that her committee had no business to consider and did not meet.

D. University Affairs: Ron McNeel, Soum Sanogo, Co Chairs

Co-chair McNeel reported that his committee studied Proposition 13-11/12 (COIA), amended some language, then voted to recommend "Do Pass as Amended". His report was accepted by the FS.

7. Other Reports

A. Provost's Academic Program Review Committee, Enedina Vazquez, FS Member – no report.

B. Campus Planning Committee, Cindy Murrell – cancelled.

C. Sustainability Council, Rani Alexander, FS Representative

Representative Alexander reported that the campus Recycle-Mania is going very well and they want to get students credit for their hard work.

D. Alcohol Committee, Priscilla Bloomquist, Chair – no report.

E. Working Groups

a. Compensation, Tim Ketelaar, Chair

Chair Ketelaar reported that the Compensation Group continued their work on their Fact Sheet. All of the committee feel that the FS shouldn't be setting salary increases, but want to make recommendations for the administration to consider. FS Chair Munson-McGee said that when discussing the budget with President Couture, she said this Working Group will definitely be consulted.

b. 120 Hour Credit Limit on Degrees, Stuart Munson-McGee, Chair – no report.

- c. Implementation of Digital Measures, Michael DeMers – no report.
- d. Distance Education Fee Allocation Recommendations, Richard Oliver, Chair

Chair Oliver reported that they will be ready to make their recommendations next week.

- e. College Track Faculty Sabbatical Leave, Cindy Murrell, Chair

Chair Murrell reported that the committee has prepared their proposition which is being submitted today; it has been reviewed and approved by ADAC and ADC.

- f. Graduate Council Study, Gary Rayson, Chair
- g. ERB Monitoring Group, Larry Blank, Chair

Chair Blank reported that there is an AAUP member on the ERB.

- F. Assoc. Provost for International and Border Programs Search Committee: Rani Alexander.

FS Committee Representative Alexander reported that the committee is continuing to study the applications they have received for favorable candidates

8. New Business

- A. Proposition 09-11/12: Change in Honorary Degrees Policy 6.75 (Hubbell, Barello, Ketelaar, A&S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Barello. Assigned to the Long Range Planning Committee which will meet 4/12/12.
- B. Proposition 15-11/12: Proposal to Change the Name of the Department of Health Science to the Department of Public Health Sciences (Blair, Mullins, Kratzke, Kozel, CHSS; Munson-McGee, ACES.) was introduced by Co-sponsor Kozel. Assigned to the Faculty Affairs Committee which will meet 4/10/12.
- B. Proposition 16-11/12: Endorsement of Graduate Catalog Contents (Rayson, A&S; Munson-McGee, ACES) was introduced by Co-sponsor Rayson. Assigned to the University Affairs Committee which will meet 4/19/12.
- C. Proposition 17-11/12: Proposal to Amend Sabbatical Leave Policy to Include College Faculty (Nancy Baptiste (CT/Ed), Cindy Murrell (CT/A&S), Ben Taylor (CT/Bus), Del Jimenez (CT/CES), Abby Train (CT/A&S), Deb McCormick (CT/DACC), Azadeh Osanloo (Ed), Nancy Oretskin (Bus), Liz Schirmer (A&S), Tim Ketelaar (A&S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Murrell. Assigned to the Scholastic Affairs Committee which will meet 4/17/12.
- D. Proposition 18-11/12: Library Memorial (Rayson, A&S; Miller, Library; Munson-McGee, ACES) was introduced by Co-sponsor Rayson. Assigned to the Long Range Planning Committee which will meet 4/12/12.
- E. Proposition 19-11/12: Proposed Revisions to Faculty Grievance Review and Resolution Policy 4.05.50 (Munson-McGee, ACES; Rayson, Ketelaar, A&S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Munson-McGee. Assigned to the University Affairs Committee which will meet 4/19/12.

- F. Proposition 20-11/12: Proposed Revisions to Faculty Promotion and Tenure Policy 5.90 (Munson-McGee, ACES; Ketelaar, Rayson, A&S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Munson-McGee. Assigned to the Faculty Affairs Committee which will meet 4/10/12.
- G. Proposition 21-22/12: Proposed Revisions to General Education Coursework Policy 6.65 (Munson-McGee, ACES; Ketelaar, A&S) was introduced by Co-sponsor Munson-McGee. Assigned to the Scholastic Affairs Committee which will meet 4/17/12.

9. Unfinished Business

- A. Proposition 12-11/12A: A Change in the Undergraduate English Proficiency Requirement So That the IELTS and TOEFL Requirements are Equivalent (Munson-McGee, ACES; Ketelaar, Alexander, Rayson, A&S; McCormick, DACC). Co-sponsor Rayson said that the Long Range Planning Committee again studied this bill, amended it again, and recommended “Do Pass as Amended”. The motion to approve this bill carried unanimously.
- C. Proposition 13-11/12A: Changes To Section 5.47 of the NMSU Policy Manual, to Change Burden of Proof for Discipline Action Based on Discrimination to “Preponderance Of The Evidence” Instead of “Clear And Convincing”, Consistent with DOE Guidance. (Munson-McGee ACES; Ketelaar, Rayson, A&S; Miller, Library). Co-sponsor Munson-McGee said that Lisa Warren worked on this bill, then sent it back to the committee; we were instructed to change those sections affecting federal cases only, but not to change other sections. The committee studied this bill again, made the appropriate changes, then recommended “Do Pass as Amended”. The motion to approve this bill carried unanimously.
- D. Proposition 14-11/12A: A Memorial in Support of the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) (Taylor, Oretskin, Business; Ketelaar, A&S). Committee member Nancy Oretskin said that the committee studied the bill, made a few clarifying amendments, then recommended “Do Pass as Amended”. The motion to approve this bill carried unanimously.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. Announcements

- A. Senator Murrell asked about the outcome of Proposition 10-11/12A (Fractional Grading) at the BOR meeting. Chair Munson-McGee replied that they tabled it, and instructed the administration to conduct information sessions with students to make them more aware of its contents.

He also noted that there is a movement developing to study security cameras on campus, and that the faculty parking permit will go up from \$90 to \$95 next year.

Senator McNeel asked for an explanation of the provost’s idea (philosophy) for midterm grades; she feels this would be a helpful warning to students whose grades are low. Senator

Oliver commented that the targeted students don't read their email from faculty or check their grades. Chair Munson-McGee advised her that mid-term grading isn't a FS duty.

Senator Bloomquist commented that we don't provide any monetary support to National Merit Scholars, and we need to target this; other schools highlight them. Chair Munson-McGee said he will look into this and follow through.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anne Meek
Faculty Senate Recording Secretary

Stuart H. Munson-McGee, Faculty Senate Chair

Date