

EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
ENMU-Ruidoso Campus
March 9, 2012 - 1:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Regent Vice President Brett Leach called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Santana Chavez, Brett Leach and Marshall Stinnett were present. Regents Randy Harris and Chad Lydick were absent.

AMEND THE AGENDA

Regent Leach suggested that agenda item Committee Appointments under Regents Matters be deferred until Regent President Harris is present.

Regent Chavez moved to amend the agenda by removing Regent Matters, Committee Appointments. Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

APPROVE THE REVISED AGENDA

Regent Chavez moved to approve the revised agenda as presented. Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

REPORT FROM THE REGENT PRESIDENT

Regent Leach welcomed everyone to the Ruidoso campus. He thanked Dawnn Moore and the students of the Hospitality and Tourism Department who prepared today's luncheon. He also thanked Dr. Alred and the Ruidoso staff for their hospitality.

REPORT FROM THE ENMU SYSTEM PRESIDENT

- Dr. Gamble thanked the Ruidoso staff and Dr. Alred for their hospitality today. He said it is always a pleasure to meet in Ruidoso.
- Dr. Gamble said the Portales campus received \$1.8 million in recurring funding in the past legislative session that includes funds to cover the 1.75% for retirement contributions that was shifted from the state to employees last year. The state has reassumed that expense. Dr. Gamble said that although employees will receive this additional 1.75% in their paychecks, the cost of health insurance is expected to increase 8% to 10%. The Portales campus was placed on the General Obligation Bond for \$9 million for renovation of the Jack Williamson Liberal Arts Building.

- No action was taken during the legislative session on the solvency of the Educational Retirement Board. This is a serious issue that needs to be addressed by next year's session.
- Scott Smart gave a construction update for the Portales campus. Construction of Guadalupe Hall continues. A new roof for the flat portion of Greyhound Arena and new evaporative coolers will be installed soon. The ceiling in the arena area will be replaced this summer. A new contract for the solar project will be received soon and brought to the regents for approval. The solar project is expected to take 90 days for completion. The razed areas of De Baca and Chaves halls are expected to be landscaped with about 40% xeriscaping and 60% grass. This project blends well with a campus-wide xeriscaping program that will be developed this spring. Mr. Smart suggested that as much as 20% of the campus will be xeriscaped. Campus water wells have been reopened, and the main campus has been removed from the city water system. Mr. Smart said the focus this spring and summer is to restore campus grounds; this follows several years of construction, trenching and drought. The design phase for the renovation of the Jack Williamson Liberal Arts (JWLA) building will begin in May. Renovation of JWLA is part of the 2012 General Obligation Bond that will be sent to New Mexico voters in November for approval. If approved, renovation would begin after the May 2013 commencement.
- Final spring enrollment was 4.5% more in head count and 4% more in semester credit hours than last spring. These increases are less than last fall's, but the outlook for fall 2012 is good with a 10% increase in applications over fall 2011 as of March 1.
- ENMU's Communicative Disorders/Speech, Language and Hearing program received a full eight-year accreditation for its master's program.
- ENMU's master's degree in Nursing received approval from the Higher Education Department (HED). Two more approvals are needed before the program can be offered, which is hoped to be in spring 2013.
- The campus has observed fall break on a trial basis for the past three years, but it has been problematic. A decision has been made to eliminate fall break immediately.

REPORT FROM THE ROSWELL PRESIDENT

- Dr. John Madden reported two positive decisions that came from the legislative session this year—for funding purposes, the completion of a certificate was determined to be the same as the completion of a degree for two-year schools, and there will be no tuition credit this year.
- The Roswell campus was included in the General Obligation Bond for \$1.5 million that will be used for campus infrastructure upgrades.

- Construction of the Educational Center should be completed by October. This is a “one-stop” place for students to enroll, register, apply for financial aid and visit the career center. Ribbon cutting for the new building will take place in October.
- Participation in the Phi Theta Kappa honor society has increased dramatically. Dr. Madden said this has changed the culture of the campus, and the campus is now attracting a different type of student than four years ago.
- Senator Jeff Bingaman gives a leadership camp in Roswell every other year for high school students who are interested in politics, political science, government, etc. With Senator Bingaman’s retirement from the U. S. Senate, Senator Tom Udall has agreed to continue this program.
- Fall 2011 enrollment increased significantly as a result of the GEAR UP grant that provided free tuition and books for local students. Dr. Madden said 130 of the students receiving the grant for fall 2011 did not return for the spring 2012 semester; consequently, spring enrollment has decreased. On a positive note, approximately 70 students who elected to attend other campuses under the GEAR UP grant have enrolled at ENMU-Roswell for the spring semester.

REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT

- Dr. Clayton Alred reported that head count for spring is 1,103. This is about a 3% decrease from spring 2011.
- Dr. Alred said that HB 132, the community college expansion act, passed the Rules Committee, Education Committee and Election Committee before it was defeated on the House floor (35 against; 30 in favor). He was encouraged by the favor shown the bill and said it will be reintroduced in the 2013 legislative session.
- The Ruidoso campus’ Phi Theta Kappa All-Stars Simon Pawlak and ~~Norma~~ *Victoria* Ramirez were recognized in a ceremony at the State Capitol on February 1.
- Dr. Alred said the Ruidoso campus continues to benefit from the use of the White Mountain Annex. Recently the campus hosted the Up With People cast and also held the 8th grade Leadership Lincoln graduation ceremony at that facility.
- The Ruidoso campus received an additional \$123,700 in recurring funds from the legislative session. This includes funds to pay the 1.75% retirement contribution for employees that was funded by the state. The campus was included in the General Obligation Bond for \$500,000.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

***Regent Chavez moved to approve the minutes of January 18, 2012, as presented.
Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.***

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Posthumous Degree, Portales

Dr. Jamie Laurenz asked approval to award a posthumous degree to Angel A. Vale. Ms. Vale was pursuing a degree in Criminal Justice at the time of her death in July 2010.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the awarding of a posthumous degree to Angel A. Vale as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

2. Department Name Change, Portales

As a result of the recent curriculum review process, the Communication program was moved from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to the College of Fine Arts. Dr. Laurenz requested that the name of the department be changed from the Department of Communicative Arts and Sciences to the Department of Communication. The new name better fits the department's location in the College of Fine Arts.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the name change for the Communication program as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

3. Revision of Medical Leave Bank (policy 40-15), Portales

Dr. Patrice Caldwell presented a revision to the medical leave bank policy for approval. The revised policy more clearly describes who is eligible and the application and approval process.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the revised medical leave bank policy as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

4. Art Courses Fee Increases, Roswell

Dr. Martyn Clay presented for approval increases to the following Art classes:
Art 206 - increase to \$30 per credit hour (figure drawing course – fees are used to pay models)

Art 231, 232, 233, 235 - increase fees to \$30 per credit hour (ceramics courses – fees used to offset cost of consumables)

Art 168 and 268 - increase fees to \$15 to \$30 per credit hour (fees charged are based on cost of consumables in these workshop classes)

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the art courses fee increases as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-1-0. Motion approved. Regent Chavez opposed.

5. Nursing Testing Readiness Assessment Fee, Roswell

Dr. Clay said that the increase requested for the nursing testing readiness assessment fee is driven by the increase imposed by the testing company. The increase requested is the amount of the increase from the company.

Increase from \$128 to \$140 for the first semester

Increase from \$98 to \$110 for the following semesters

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the nursing testing readiness assessment fee as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-1-0. Motion approved. Regent Chavez opposed.

6. Introduction of UNIV 079 Diagnostic and Testing Fee, Roswell

Dr. Clay presented for approval a new diagnostic and testing fee for UNIV 079, a developmental course. Testing is done at the beginning and end of the course to help determine the proper placement of students into the next course. The tests are \$20 each, for a total of \$40 for the semester.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the UNIV 079 diagnostic and testing fee as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-1-0. Motion approved. Regent Chavez opposed.

7. New Certificate of Employability in Commercial Driver's License, Roswell

Dr. Clay presented for approval the certificate of employability in commercial driver's license program. Students will receive 16 hours of classroom instruction with hands-on driving time. This is a four week course and is Pell eligible.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the certificate of employability in commercial driver's license program as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

8. Introduction of Commercial Driver's License Program Fee, Roswell

With the approval of the certificate of employability in commercial driver's license program, Dr. Clay asked approval of the fee associated with this program. A fee of \$3,900 covers the cost incurred by the Center for Transportation Safety that provides the vehicles (\$2,800), various testing fees and permits (\$278), Hazmat endorsement (\$125), and the balance is payable to the ENMU-Roswell campus for tuition and maintenance costs (\$697).

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the commercial driver's license program fee as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 2-1-0. Motion approved. Regent Chavez opposed.

9. Faculty Rank and Tenure Policy, Ruidoso

Mr. Chad Smith presented for approval a new policy to establish faculty rank and tenure. The Ruidoso campus currently employs full-time faculty with terminal degrees and years of experience that are designated as "instructors." This is a practice going back to the years that Ruidoso was considered an instructional facility. With branch campus status, Mr. Smith said its full-time faculty should be given the opportunity to achieve rank and tenure commensurate with their service, competence and effectiveness.

Regent Stinnett moved to approve the faculty rank and tenure policy as presented. Regent Chavez seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Regent Chavez moved to enter executive session at 2:10 p.m. to discuss five personnel items. Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

Roll call: Regent Chavez – yes; Regent Leach – yes; Regent Stinnett – yes

OPEN SESSION

Regent Chavez moved to return to open session at 2:35 p.m. Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.

Vice President Leach reported that the regents discussed five personnel items, but no action was taken.

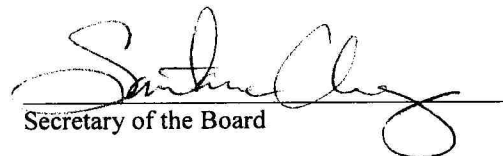
ADJOURNMENT

Regent Chavez moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:36 p.m. Regent Stinnett seconded the motion.

Vote: 3-0-0. Motion approved.



President of the Board



Secretary of the Board

*Minutes recorded and transcribed by Deborah Bentley
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