

EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
Regents Room, Portales
April 25, 2014 – 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Regent Vice President Chad Lydick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Randy Harris, Chase Sturdevant and Brett Leach were present. Regent Jane Christensen was absent.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Regent Sturdevant moved to approve the agenda as presented. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

REPORT FROM THE REGENT PRESIDENT

Regent Lydick welcomed everyone to the meeting.

REPORT FROM THE ENMU SYSTEM PRESIDENT

- Dr. Gamble presented Regent Leach with a plaque in recognition of his service as regent president for 2013. He and members of the Board thanked Mr. Leach for his leadership of the Board.
- Dr. Gamble said this is a busy time of year with many events taking place. The Spirit of Eastern ceremony was held last week, the Retiree's Reception is Monday, the President's Picnic is next week, many student banquets and awards ceremonies have been held, and Mud Volleyball and the Late Night Breakfast are coming in the next few days.
- Dr. Gamble attended a Lone Star Conference meeting this week and learned there is still no timeline for when the eligibility issues will be settled. He was told that the NCAA will soon be scheduling interviews with people on campus, and Dr. Gamble hopes this signals the final stages of the process.
- Dr. Gamble said \$7.3 million has been raised thus far for the stadium project. Fundraising continues, and Dr. Gamble said \$8 million must be in hand before the University can submit the construction project to the Higher Education Department (HED) for approval.
- Head men's basketball coach Andrew Helton has resigned, and Coach Omar Morales has been hired as the new women's soccer coach.
- A memorial service will be held on campus April 30 for ENMU student Irvyng Urquijo who passed away this month.
- Dr. Judith Haislett, vice president for Student Affairs, has announced her retirement for this fall. Dr. Gamble thanked her for her good work.
- A three-campus retreat will be held in July when senior administrators for the three campuses will meet to discuss common issues and concerns.
- The Bank of Clovis' Best of the Best event was held this week that honors Curry County's top graduating high school seniors. Dr. Gamble thanked Regent Harris and his wife, Cindy, for the excellent event and said he was pleased that 11 of the 44 students honored stated that they planned to attend Eastern.

- Some states, such as Texas, have asked universities to provide degree programs that can be completed within 120 hours instead of 128. The regents asked that Dr. Gamble research this further to determine which of Eastern's programs could be reduced to 120 hours and which cannot. Dr. Gamble said that he and Dr. Laurenz would provide more information on this at the June Board of Regents meeting.

REPORT FROM THE ROSWELL PRESIDENT

- Dr. John Madden said that the Roswell campus will hold two commencement ceremonies this spring; both will be held at the Roswell Civic Center. A 5:00 p.m. ceremony will be held for those students receiving certificates, and the 7:00 p.m. ceremony will be for those students receiving degrees.
- The Roswell campus is partnering with the Roswell Independent School District for an early college program and will have openings for 50 students. An open house for parents and students was held this week to learn more about the program, and more than 100 students attended.
- Dr. Madden said the campus will double the capacity of the aviation maintenance program this fall. Even with this growth, he said the campus is unable to provide enough graduates for local employers. The aviation industry is thriving in Roswell.
- The New Mexico Youth Challenge Program is gearing up to enroll 125 cadets at the Roswell campus this fall. Enrollment over past years has declined to as few as 35 cadets.
- Roswell campus officials met with officials of Unmanned Ariel Vehicles (UAV) to discuss training for UAV pilots. Dr. Madden said it would be a tremendous opportunity if the campus is able to develop a training program for these pilots.
- Dr. Madden said there are many rumors about programs being cancelled at the Roswell campus. He said all programs will continue through the next academic year. The campus is in the process of developing data that will help with decisions to be made regarding individual programs. No changes will happen until the 2015-16 academic year.

REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT

- Dr. Clayton Alred said the Ruidoso campus hosted American Indian Week with daily events. Students of the Mescalero High School Culinary Arts program made fry bread and Indian tacos to sell. Proceeds from the sales benefitted their program.
- The recently installed solar array has already provided energy savings to the campus, and Dr. Alred presented a brief video of its installation.
- Work on the Title V grant application has been completed and is ready for submission. Dr. Alred said that should this grant be awarded, the Ruidoso campus would receive \$3 million to implement three new programs and enrich online resources.

- Dr. Karen Becklin has resigned from the Community College Board as she returns to Las Cruces. Ms. Gina Klinekole has been named the new Community College Board member.
- Dr. Alred announced that ENMU-Ruidoso student Matt Gonzales was named as a Coca-Cola Scholar, and he was also named as an All-USA scholar by Phi Theta Kappa. Mr. Gonzales and 19 other scholars were recognized at the American Association of Community Colleges President's Breakfast. Nationally, there were over 1,700 nominations for this scholarship. Dr. Alred said this is a tremendous honor for both Mr. Gonzales and the ENMU-Ruidoso campus.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regent Harris moved to approve the minutes of March 21, 2014 and March 31, 2014 as presented. Regent Sturdevant seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Recommendation for Student Fees Allocation, Portales

Dr. Judith Haislett introduced Justin Aguilar, president of Student Government, and Cedric Pittman, director of the Student Fees Board. Mr. Pittman reviewed the proposed student fees allocations presented today. He said the Student Fees Board thoroughly reviewed applications submitted from student organizations and determined the allocations to be distributed for 2014-15. The proposal is for \$1.6 million.

Regent Sturdevant moved to approve the student fees recommendation as presented. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

2. 2013-14 Proposed Housing and Meal Plan Rates, Portales

Dr. Haislett presented for approval a 3% increase in residence hall rates and apartment rates. The renovation project at West Campus is expected to be completed by December 2014, so Dr. Haislett recommended that the 3% increase apply to the renovated apartments but not the unrenovated apartments.

Rising food costs necessitate a 3% increase in meal plans for 2014-15, but no increase is requested for flex dollars.

Regent Harris moved to approve the room and meal plan rates as presented. Regent Leach seconded the motion. Vote: 3-1-0. Regent Sturdevant opposed. Motion approved.

