

EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
Hotel Santa Fe, Santa Fe NM
January 21, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

[Due to inclement weather, the meeting was conducted by telephone.] A roll call was conducted for this teleconference meeting, and it was determined that a quorum was present. Regent President Jane Christensen called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Randy Harris, Brett Leach, Chad Lydick and Jane Christensen attended by telephone. Regent Chase Sturdevant was absent.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

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

REPORT FROM THE REGENT PRESIDENT

President Christensen welcomed everyone to Santa Fe. She reminded everyone of the Alumni Legislative Reception that begins at 5 p.m. today.

REPORT FROM THE ENMU SYSTEM PRESIDENT

- Dr. Gamble introduced Mr. Terry Othick and Mrs. Susan Tatum who have been nominated by Governor Susana Martinez as Board of Regents members beginning in 2015. They will replace Regents Randy Harris and Chad Lydick whose terms expire.
- Dr. Gamble said Eastern's alumni board members and the student lobbying group met with legislators this morning, handing out peanuts and inviting them to the Alumni Legislative Reception this evening. Dr. Gamble expects a good attendance at the reception.
- Dr. Gamble said two budgets will be presented at the legislature—the governor's budget, which is the same as the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) budget, and the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) budget. Neither budget provides much in new funding for higher education, mainly due to the state's economy.
- Dr. Gamble said spring enrollment is up 2.5% in head count over last spring and up 1.9% in student credit hours. Census day is in two weeks, so these numbers could vary by then. In past years, Eastern's enrollment grew by as much as 6%, but Dr. Gamble said enrollments for all higher education institutions have been down throughout the state in the last couple of years. Eastern is the only four-year school that had any enrollment increase in the last two years. Dr. Gamble said that the percentage at which the Lottery Scholarship is funded and the new retention requirement enacted this fall will affect the number of freshman enrolling and those students who return.

REPORT FROM THE ROSWELL PRESIDENT

- Reporting on spring enrollment, Dr. John Madden said the number of student credit hours is down about 4% compared to last spring. There are enrollments in

special programs that have not been reported yet, so he expects enrollment to remain flat.

- The capital requests for the Roswell campus include \$286,000 for a Perkins ADA audit, \$200,000 for a simulation trainer for the Commercial Driver's License program, and funds to purchase two vans for the Special Services Program.
- As a budgetary item, Dr. Madden said it was good news that the state is funding the Lottery Scholarship at 95%. The Roswell campus picks up the remaining 5%, therefore guaranteeing the scholarship at 100% for its enrolled students.
- Mrs. Jane Batson was honored posthumously with the Lifetime Contribution Award at the recent United Way Luncheon. The Roswell campus and the Roswell community benefitted from Mrs. Batson's tireless efforts to improve the places where she worked and lived.
- A program analysis of the campus' occupational safety program has resulted in several requests that will be presented today that will make the programs more cost effective and easier to complete.

REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT

- Dr. Clayton Alred announced that the Ruidoso campus' cybersecurity program, which is accredited by the Department of Homeland Security, has been reaccredited under a new set of standards and accredited at a higher level than previously. The campus has been designated as a Center for Academic Excellence for two-year institutions. Additionally, the Ruidoso campus is one of five other community colleges in the United States that has achieved this level of accreditation. Recently a Ruidoso student competed in a national cybersecurity challenge and finished 37th out of more than 500 students.
- The Ruidoso campus is beginning three construction projects this month: 1) a G. O. Bond funded project that renovates the front of the building; 2) remodeling of classroom space that will be repurposed into new office space to house employees of the new Department of Education grant; and 3) remodeling a portion of the construction trade space to include room for art classes that will be moved back to the campus from the White Mountain Annex. The campus currently leases space at the White Mountain School, and it is expected that the lease will terminate at the end of the 2015-16 year.
- The legislature will review a Severance Tax Bill (SB 159) that includes a \$500,000 allocation for remodeling instructional space at the Ruidoso campus. Dr. Alred is hopeful the bill will pass.
- Enrollment for the spring semester is down about 4% from last spring.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Regent Lydick moved to approve the minutes of December 11, 2014, as presented.
Regent Leach seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

REGENTS MATTERS

1. Annual Authorization of Officers Authorizing Signature Authority

Dr. Gamble presented the annual authorization document for approval. This document gives authority to the officers of the Board of Regents and the University president and vice president for Business Affairs to sign documents for the University.

Regent Harris moved to approve the annual authorization of officers authorizing signature authority document as presented. Regent Lydick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. 2014 Presidential Goals

Dr. Gamble discussed his goals for 2015. This is an information item.

2. Tailgating at Sporting Events, Portales

Dr. Gamble reviewed Policy 70-9, Tailgating at Sporting Events, and other information provided on the tailgating issue. The policy includes a provision to allow alcohol at tailgating events (prior to athletic events) for students and others who are 21 years of age and older. The tailgating events will be held at an authorized location and supervised by campus police. Dr. Gamble discussed his concerns about the policy and recommended that the policy not be approved.

Student Body President Katherynne Padilla and Vice President Carla Anaya presented information on the tailgating issue on behalf of the student body and asked the regents for their consideration to approve the policy.

A formal vote on the issue will take place at a meeting in late January scheduled for the Portales campus. This is an information item.

3. Audited Financial Statements for 2013-14 Fiscal Year

Mr. Scott Smart presented the audited financial statement for fiscal year 2013-14. The audit had no findings for any of the three campuses. Mr. Smart stated that the financial condition of the ENMU System remains extremely stable.

Regent Leach moved to accept the audited financial statements for the 2013-14 fiscal year as presented. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

4. 2015-16 Tuition and Fee Rates, Portales

Mr. Smart presented a proposal to increase tuition and fees by 6.5% for resident students beginning fall 2015. The percentage of increase will be less for non-resident students. It is anticipated that there will be no increase in state funding for next year and this increase will generate approximately \$1.3 million of new

revenue within the Instruction and General fund that is needed to meet the 2015-16 budget. The percentages of increase in the following tuition and fee rates are slightly less than 6.5% for resident students. Even with approval of this proposal, tuition and fees at ENMU will remain one of the lowest of 80 institutions in the southwest.

	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
Resident undergraduate	\$155.28	6.39% increase
Non-resident undergraduate	\$155.28	2.92% increase
Resident graduate	\$170.04	6.40% increase
Non-resident graduate	\$170.04	3.02% increase

Regent Sturdevant moved to approve the tuition and fee rates for 2015-16 as presented. Regent Lydick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

5. Addendum to Fall 2014 Graduation List, Portales

Mrs. Ronnie Birdsong presented for approval a list of 19 additional students who have met the requirements for graduation.

Regent Harris moved to approve the addendum to the fall 2014 graduation list as presented. Regent Leach seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Mr. Chad Smith asked approval of the following certificates of employment in the occupational safety engineering technology program. A comprehensive analysis team comprised of representatives from the campus and surrounding community reviewed data and determined goals needed for the certificates. The team split a large certificate and an associate's of applied science degree it into five much smaller certificates and repackaged the coursework so they are aligned with national requirements and industry standards. Mr. Smith asked approval for the following certificates:

6. Certificate of Employability for Safety Trained Manager
7. Certificate of Employability for Occupational Safety & Health Specialist
8. Certificate of Employability for Occupational Safety Technician
9. Certificate of Employability for Occupational Safety Technician Level I
10. Certificate of Employability for Occupational Safety and Environmental Technician

Regent Leach moved to approve the five certificates of employability as presented. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Mr. Smith said as a result of the recent program analysis, additional program changes will be presented to the regents in the near future.

11. Increase in SET OSHA Administration Fee, Roswell

Mr. Smith presented an increase in the OSHA administration fee for courses SET 114, 115 and 118 from \$5 per credit hour to \$10 per credit hour. The fee is

necessary to offset the cost of the OSHA card awarded to students who complete these courses and is eligible for inclusion in the students' financial aid.

Regent Harris moved to approve the SET OSHA administrative fee as presented. Regent Lydick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Regent Lydick moved to enter executive session at 3:30 p.m. to discuss three limited personnel items. Regent Randy seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Roll call: Regent Harris – yes; Regent Lydick – yes; Regent Leach – yes; Regent Christensen – yes

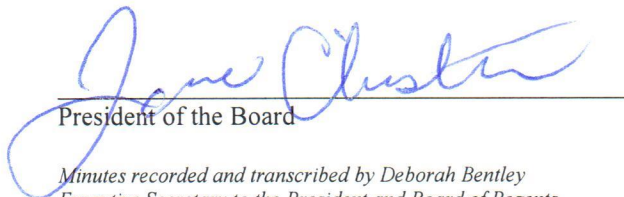
OPEN SESSION

Regent Lydick moved to return to open session at 3:55 p.m. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

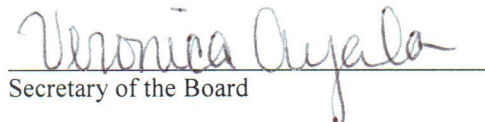
President Christensen reported that the regents discussed three limited personnel items but no action was taken during executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Regent Harris moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:57 p.m. Regent Lydick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.



President of the Board
*Minutes recorded and transcribed by Deborah Bentley
Executive Secretary to the President and Board of Regents*



Secretary of the Board