

EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
Regents Room, Portales
April 23, 2013 – 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Regent President Brett Leach called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Randy Harris, Jane Christensen, Chase Sturdevant and Brett Leach were present. Regent Chad Lydick was absent.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

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

REPORT FROM THE REGENT PRESIDENT

Regent Leach welcomed everyone to the meeting.

REPORT FROM THE ENMU SYSTEM PRESIDENT

- Dr. Gamble recognized outgoing regents Santana Chavez and Marshall Stinnett who were present today. He and members of the Board thanked Ms. Chavez and Mr. Stinnett for their service to the Board and the ENMU community.
- Dr. Gamble said we are closing out a good year. He said that Eastern's students are doing well, enrollment increased 2.75%, and the University received \$6 million in new money from the legislative session.
- The campus is currently undergoing an accreditation visit with the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE).
- Members from the Higher Education Department (HED) will visit campus tomorrow to discuss the General Obligation Bond for 2014. Eastern will submit a renovation of Golden Library for inclusion in the bond.
- The athletic eligibility issue is still ongoing.
- Dr. Gamble said the regents would discuss today the feasibility of a football stadium on campus. Dr. Gamble introduced Mr. Justin Aguilar, student body president for 2013-14. Mr. Aguilar told regents that student government unanimously voted to support a stadium on campus funded through fundraising efforts and student fees. An educational campaign will take place in the coming months to inform students about the stadium, and a vote by the student body will take place this fall.
- Dr. Gamble said he believes that Eastern continues to meet its mission to give students the best educational experience possible and prepare those students to go out into the world capable of competing with students from other schools.

REPORT FROM THE ROSWELL PRESIDENT

- Dr. John Madden said the Roswell campus received \$300,000 from the legislature that will be used for automotive and welding facilities, a commercial kitchen and some minor infrastructure repairs. Faculty and staff will receive a 1% raise funded by the legislature.

- Roswell students are very appreciative of the Lottery Scholarship that will be funded for another year.
- With the opening of the Student Services Center, several offices and departments are relocating.
- The ENMU-Roswell Foundation Banquet will be held April 30. Honored that evening will be Ed Davis and XCEL Energies.
- Graduation is May 10. Dr. Madden invited everyone to attend.
- Dr. Madden will attend an early college meeting tomorrow in Las Cruces. The early college program is an opportunity for high school students to take college courses and receive an associate's degree when graduating from high school. The Public Education Department will fund five projects in the state to be cooperative colleges with local high schools, and Dr. Madden is hopeful that ENMU-Roswell will be one of those five. This is an exciting opportunity for the campus and for high school students in the area.

REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT

- Dr. Clayton Alred said the Ruidoso campus will host the Lincoln County Renewal Energy Conference on April 26. The conference will focus on water issues which are critical for our state.
- Commencement will take place May 9. Dr. Alred said there is one student who has completed courses at ENMU-Ruidoso who will be awarded an associate's degree at the May 9 ceremony, weeks before she graduates from high school later that month.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*Regent Harris moved to approve the minutes of March 22, 2013, as presented.
Regent Sturdevant seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

REGENTS MATTERS

1. Committee Appointments

President Leach made the following committee appointments:

- Audit and Finance Committee - Regents Lydick and Harris
- ENMU Foundation Board - Regent Christensen
- Three Campus Committee - Regents Leach and Sturdevant
- Liaison between Board of Regents and ENMU Alumni Association - Regent Leach

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Stadium Feasibility Study, Portales

Dr. Gamble presented the stadium feasibility study for discussion. ENMU Foundation President Steve Doerr has told Dr. Gamble that the Foundation is in support of the new stadium. Mr. Doerr said the Foundation would provide

\$35,000 toward the feasibility study, including exploration of funding sources and the commissioning of architectural drawings for the stadium. These steps need to take place prior to beginning an educational campaign that will inform students and the community of the issues relative to building a new stadium. The total cost of the stadium is estimated at \$8 million. It is hoped that \$4 million could be raised by outside sources and \$4 million from student fees. The increase in student fees would be \$40 per semester for a span of 25 years. After discussion, each of the regents indicated his/her support of the project.

2. 2012-13 Budget Adjustment Request

Dr. Alred presented the 2012-13 budget adjustment request (BAR) for approval as required by the Higher Education Department.

Regent Harris moved to approve the 2012-13 budget adjustment request as presented. Regent Sturdevant seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

3. 2013-14 Proposed Tuition, Ruidoso

Dr. Alred presented a proposed tuition increase of 9.7% for in-district students—a \$3.35 increase per credit hour. Tuition and fee rates for the Ruidoso campus are the lowest in the state, and the campus is in need of the revenue that will be realized by this increase. Even with this increase, the campus will remain one of the lowest in the state.

Regent Harris moved to approve the 2013-14 tuition increase as presented. Regent Leach seconded the motion. Vote: 2-1-1. Motion approved. Regent Sturdevant opposed and Regent Christensen abstained.

4. Proposed Institutional Fee Increase, Ruidoso

Dr. Alred said that relevant to the increase in tuition, fees also need to be increased. The fee rate of \$10 per semester has not been increased since the inception of the campus in 1991. Dr. Alred requested the rate be increased to \$50 per semester.

Regent Christensen moved to approve the 2013-14 fee increase as presented. Regent Harris seconded the motion. Vote: 3-1-0. Motion approved. Regent Sturdevant opposed.

5. 2013-14 Operating Budget, Ruidoso

Dr. Alred presented the operating budget for 2013-14 for approval. The budget includes the tuition and fee increases as approved, a 2% recurring compensation increase, and increased employer costs in health insurance and retirement contributions.

