

**EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY**  
**Board of Regents Meeting**  
**ENMU-Portales, Administration Building, Regents Room**  
**October 6, 2017 - 9:30 a.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Regent President Dan Patterson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Dan Patterson, Ed Tatum, Terry Othick, Jane Christensen and Kekoa VonSchriltz were present.

**APPROVE THE AMENDED AGENDA**

Regent Patterson said there was a small change to item 11, Amendments to Policies, policy 55-1 will not be presented today. The other policies will be presented as stated.

*Regent Othick moved to approve the agenda as amended. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Regent Tatum moved to approve the minutes of September 14, 2017 as presented. Regent Christensen seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

**REPORT FROM THE REGENT PRESIDENT**

President Patterson recognized Deborah Bentley, executive secretary to the president and Board of Regents, who is retiring at the end of this month. Mrs. Bentley was presented with a plaque, and Regent Othick read a resolution of appreciation for her years of service.

*Regent Patterson moved to approve the resolution as read. Regent Christensen seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

In recognition of Mrs. Bentley's years in the President's Office, Dr. Elwell announced that Mrs. Bentley will be president for the day on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Dr. Patterson introduced Mrs. Karen Van Ruiten who has been selected to fill Mrs. Bentley's position as the executive secretary to the president and the Board of Regents effective November 1.

**REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ENMU FOUNDATION**

Mr. Steve Doerr, ENMU Foundation president, said this is homecoming weekend and many events are scheduled including a bonfire, Foundation breakfast, parade and football game. He introduced the executive director of the Foundation, Mrs. Noelle Bartl, and congratulated Noelle and her staff for another excellent year. Mr. Doerr said income for the 2016-17 year was \$1,563,000 and the endowed fund continues to grow. Scholarships were awarded in the amount of \$368,000, and the Foundation funds \$100,000 of the Starter Scholarship. Total assets are \$18,106,368. In the last 9 years, the Foundation has raised over \$15 million.

Mr. Doerr said the Green and Silver Magazine is getting great response and he hopes to increase the number of pages published. He said this is a great way to reach out to alums and get them involved with the campus. Mr. Doerr thanked the Board for adding a new position for the Foundation, a director of Annual Giving. The Foundation is looking to acquire property just south of the tennis courts for additional University property. He also thanked Dr. Elwell for the Portales campus' participation to help raise funds for a Midwestern State football player who recently passed due to a game injury.

#### **REPORT FROM THE ROSWELL PRESIDENT**

- Dr. John Madden said the Eastern New Mexico State Fair is being held this week.
- Mr. Clay Avery has been named as a new member of the Roswell Community College Board. He replaces Dawn Tschabrun who moved to Albuquerque.
- The New Mexico Youth Challenge (NMYC) housing facility has been expanded from 130 beds to 175. General Nava expects to increase this program to 175 cadets, and these students are enrolled at the Roswell campus in the GED program and in certificate of employability programs. If these 175 students complete the program, the NMYC program will automatically increase to 200 students. NMYC is in negotiations with the City of Roswell to acquire another building at Walker Air Force Base to house additional students.
- Dr. Madden distributed a list of retention initiatives utilized on the Roswell campus. He said that the Roswell campus is first in the state (for community colleges) in completion and second in retention.

#### **REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT**

- Dr. Clayton Alred said the Ruidoso campus has submitted a second application for Rapid Workforce Development funding for a wind technician certificate program. The Community College Board has appropriated \$100,000 for startup funds to begin the program as soon as possible. The funds from the Rapid Workforce Development grant would be \$230,000. There are pending applications to construct 1,100 towers in Lincoln County, and these companies will hire one employee for every 10 to 12 towers.
- The paperwork on the building trades remodel is currently at the Higher Education Department for approval.
- An internet rating site called WalletHub has rated ENMU-Ruidoso as 29th in the nation of community colleges for cost, class size, time to completion and return for investment.

#### **REPORT FROM THE ENMU SYSTEM PRESIDENT**

- Dr. Elwell introduced Annamarie Short, the new director for Alumni Affairs. Ms. Short gave a brief overview of homecoming activities.
- Dr. Elwell spoke at the Roswell ENMU Foundation luncheon on September 26 and attended the administrators' three-campus retreat on the Ruidoso campus the next day. There was collaborative discussion at the retreat of how the three campuses can work together as a system, and administrators discussed a process for seamless transfers and admissions between the campuses. A plan for a compensation increase for all three campuses was discussed, as well as a One Eastern program. Dr. Elwell said the One Eastern program would grant all students and staff of any of the three Eastern campuses the same rights and privileges they receive at their home campus at any of the Eastern campuses. While visiting in Roswell and Ruidoso, Dr. Elwell had the opportunity to meet with faculty and staff on both campuses.
- Dr. Elwell, Regent Terry Othick and Mr. Scott Smart met with the Risk Management Division in Santa Fe regarding Eastern's request to move risk coverage to the New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority.
- Dr. Elwell, Regent Othick, Dr. Madden and Dr. Alred attended the governor's higher education summit in Albuquerque. The governor singled out Eastern and New Mexico



Highlands University as the two universities that have made the most progress on governor's trifecta of higher education criteria.

- The Greyhounds retained the Wagon Wheel with a defeat of the West Texas A&M Buffalos.
- Dr. Elwell distributed a draft calendar of meetings for the Board for 2018. He suggested the possibility of a meeting held in Albuquerque in conjunction with an Alumni event held in July.

## **BUSINESS MATTERS**

### **Consent Agenda**

1. Report of Actuals, Ruidoso
2. 2018-2019 Academic Calendar, Roswell
3. Report of Actuals, Roswell
4. Disposal of Surplus Property and Equipment, Roswell
5. Report of Actuals, Portales

*Regent Tatum moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Regent Christensen seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

### **Other Items**

6. Elementary Education/Special Education Associate of Arts Degree, Ruidoso  
Mr. Pierre Laroche presented for approval an Elementary Education/Special Education, Associate of Arts degree for regent's approval. Students completing this degree could transfer to ENMU-Portales and these credits would apply toward a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education/Special Education.  
*Regent Othick moved to approve the Elementary Education/Special Education Associate of Arts degree as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*
7. Secondary Education Associate of Arts Degree, Ruidoso  
Mr. Laroche presented the Secondary Education Associate of Arts degree for approval.  
*Regent Tatum moved to approve the Secondary Education Associate of Arts degree as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*
8. Structural Fire Science Certificate, Ruidoso  
Mr. Laroche presented a Structural Fire Science certificate for approval. Students who complete this certificate are eligible for transfer to the Emergency Management program on the Portales campus.  
*Regent Christensen moved to approve the Structural Fire Science certificate as presented. Regent Tatum seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*
9. Delete Teacher Education Transfer Associate of Arts Degree, Ruidoso  
Mr. Laroche requested that the Teacher Education Transfer Associate of Arts degree be deleted since the board has approved the Elementary Education/Special Education AA degree and the Secondary Education AA degree.  
*Regent Othick moved to delete the Teacher Education Transfer AA degree as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

10. Fire Alarm System Replacement for Eight Buildings, Roswell

Mr. Eric Johnston-Ortiz presented a request to replace the fire alarm system for eight buildings on the Roswell campus. Replacement parts are not available for the aging system. The project was divided into five bid lots. Through a bidding process, J&G Electric submitted a bid for \$98,608 for lots #1 and #5 and APIC Solutions submitted a bid for lots #2, #3, and #4 for \$172,286, the combined total is below the amount funded by the 2014 G.O. Bond of \$300,000. ASA Architects recommends acceptance of these bids. Mr. Johnston-Ortiz requested approval.

*Regent Othick moved to approve replacement of the fire alarm system at the Roswell campus as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

11. Amendments to Policies 35-4, 55-1, and 60-4, Portales

Dr. Patrice Caldwell presented modifications to policy 35-4 Use of Motor Vehicles and policy 60-4 Technology Purchases and Computer Relocation. Policy 55-1 Purchasing will be presented at a later time.

*Regent Christensen moved to approve changes to policies 35-4 and 60-4 as presented. Regent Tatum seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

12. Consideration and adoption of a Resolution authorizing the issuance of The Board of Regents of Eastern New Mexico University System Improvement Revenue Bonds, Series 2017; establishing procedures for the sale and delivery of the Bonds; delegating to a pricing officer the authority to determine the terms of the Bonds as provided herein and authorizing other matters related to the issuance of the Bonds, Portales

Mr. Greg Salinas, bond attorney for McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., presented a bond resolution required to finalize the funding for a campus wide energy project that has been previously approved by the Board. Mr. Smart said Eastern is borrowing \$5,645,000 from the New Mexico Finance Authority for a twenty-year term at 2.87%. Of this amount, \$1 million will be used for the repiping of Curry and Quay Halls. Mr. Smart asked for approval.

*Regent Tatum moved to adopt the bond resolution as presented. Regent Christensen seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

**REGENTS MATTERS**

1. Update on Ruidoso presidential search

Dr. Elwell said the Ruidoso campus has received twelve applicants for the Ruidoso president position. The search committee hopes to name finalists by Thanksgiving and to have a new president in place by January 2018.

2. Effort to explore alternative energy partnership opportunities with NM energy companies

Mr. Othick said the regents have previously discussed alternative energy for the Portales campus and how the areas in New Mexico that surround the three campuses are prime for wind or solar energy. The regents would like to explore the possibility of aligning Eastern with New Mexico energy companies to provide programs and training for individuals interested in construction, operation, research or evaluation of wind or solar farms.

3. Discussion of Risk Management status

Regent Othick gave an overview of the discussions with Risk Management Division (RMD) regarding Eastern's desire to move coverage to the New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority (NMSPIA) by July 1, 2018. The regents met with both groups at its September meeting, and Regent Othick, Scott Smart and Dr. Elwell met with RMD again in late September. RMD has indicated that Eastern can move its coverage, but exposure for past claims would not be covered by the money paid to them during the time of coverage. RMD will meet with their actuary to determine an amount due by Eastern. RMD said it would meet with NMPSIA to discuss this further.

4. Board recognition: passing of alumni, Bob Martin

Alumni Bob Martin recently passed away in a helicopter accident. Mr. Othick said Mr. Martin epitomized what Eastern students can be—he was a war correspondent, an outstanding journalist and a helicopter pilot. He will be missed.

[Dr. Patterson called for a lunch recess.]

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*Regent Christensen moved to enter executive session at 12:39 p.m. to discuss one item pertaining to threatened or pending litigation involving the University pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7), NMSA (1978) and four limited personnel matters pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(2), NMSA (1978). Regent Tatum seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

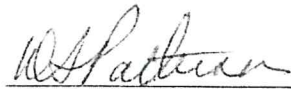
*Roll call: Regent Patterson – yes; Regent VonSchriltz – yes; Regent Tatum – yes; Regent Christensen – yes; Regent Othick – yes*

*Regent VonSchriltz moved to return to open session at 2:04 p.m. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*

President Patterson reported that the regents discussed one item pertaining to threatened or pending litigation involving the University pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7), NMSA (1978) and four limited personnel matters pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(2), NMSA (1978), but no action was taken during executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Regent Tatum moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:05 p.m. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0-0. Motion approved.*



President of the Board



Secretary of the Board