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FACULTY SENATE SUMMARIZED MINUTES

**2006-2007 Faculty Senate
November 28, 2006**

The Faculty Senate meeting for November 28, 2006 was called to order at 3:10 p.m. in the Lobo Room, Student Union Building. Senate President Virginia Shipman presided.

1. ATTENDANCE

Guests Present: Provost Reed Dasenbrock, Research Service Learning Program Manager Marylin Davis (University College), Deputy Provost Richard Holder, Staff Council Liaison Vanessa Shields, Patrick Vigil and Research Service Learning Program Director Dan Young (University College).

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as written.

3. APPROVAL OF SUMMARIZED MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 24, 2006 MEETING

The minutes for the October 24, 2006 meeting were approved as written.

4. PROVOST'S REPORT

The Provost reported on the following:

- Provost Reed Dasenbrock stated that there are a number of searches in process. Searches are being conducted for the Dean of Arts and Sciences, the Dean of University Libraries, the Director of the School of Public Administration, the Director of the Taos Branch, and the Director of the Los Alamos Branch.
- There needs to be a formal discussion about the Rio Rancho campus. There are many issues that will need faculty decisions. Dean Roger Schluntz (Architecture and Planning) organized a charrette. Many people from across the country participated. The charrette was an intensive design and development workgroup that produced a robust policy statement in addition to designs for the Rio Rancho campus. Ten keystone policies were recommended by the workgroup for central issues that the design needs to accomplish. A Powerpoint presentation with four central designs was shown at the charrette and will be presented to the Planning Council on Wednesday, November 29, 2006. The presentation will then be shown at the next Regents' meeting. Provost Dasenbrock encourages faculty to attend the Regent's meetings, especially those that involve Rio Rancho.
- A UNM capital campaign will be launched around July 2007. Proposals have come from every college and school. The proposals that came out of the schools and colleges were all chaired by faculty. Many issues were addressed including faculty salaries, needs assessments, etc. A feasibility study will be conducted next to determine if the proposals for the campaign are realistic and attainable. The feasibility study will most likely be conducted after the new president has been named.
- An equity study of main campus salaries has been conducted. It looked at equity in terms of gender and ethnicity. Provost Dasenbrock has seen a draft and he will meet with the committee that conducted the study within the next week. The final draft will be ready to formally release sometime the holiday break. The Faculty Senate will want to review the study and the recommendations it suggests.

5. FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Faculty Senate President reported on the following:

- As requested by the UNM Board of Regents (BOR), the Operations Committee sent a statement on the University of New Mexico extra compensation and paid outside consulting policy and the Anderson Schools of Management (ASM) audit report, to the BOR. Faculty Senate President Virginia Shipman, and Operations Committee members Nikki Katalanos, Bruce Williams, and Howard Snell signed the letter. As a result, BOR President Jamie Koch has asked President Shipman to chair a task force to review such policies. The committee will report to the BOR. The 2006 ASM Audit Report and the Faculty Senate Operations Committee statement will be placed on the Faculty Senate website.
- President Shipman is serving on the Anti-hate Committee. The committee is reviewing a process for filing complaints. President Shipman hopes the committee will also address prevention.
- President Shipman is also serving on the Transportation Committee. The Transportation Committee is addressing concerns of the communities surrounding the main campus.
- The reception for New Mexico state legislators and their families hosted by the Faculty Senate and the Governmental Relations Committee is November 29, 2006. The reception will be held in the Faculty Club on Wednesday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. President Shipman encouraged senators to attend and bring other faculty from their departments.
- President Shipman reminded the senate that there would be a Faculty Senate retreat to work on committee restructuring. President-elect Jackie Hood will be leading the retreat. The retreat will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2006. The retreat will be at the Student Union Building (SUB) and will begin at 8:15 a.m. with a breakfast buffet. The primary goal is to complete the work begun at the September 26, 2006 Faculty Senate meeting to consolidate the Faculty Senate Committees. As a result, faculty governance will be strengthened. Faculty Senators, past and present committee chairs, and past and present committee members have been invited.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. APPROVAL OF FALL 2006 DEGREE CANDIDATES

Approval of the Fall 2006 degree candidates passed by unanimous voice vote of the Faculty Senate.

AGENDA TOPICS

7. UNITED WAY PRESENTATION

Senior Program Manager from the Development Office Patrick Vigil gave a presentation on the annual United Way Campaign at UNM. People in the community look to UNM for leadership. Participation in the United Way Campaign is one way that UNM can become involved in the community. Donors often inquire about UNM's community involvement and its United Way contributions. The 2005 UNM United Way Campaign raised \$17 million. More money was raised in Albuquerque last year than was raised in Los Angeles or New York City. The UNM United Way Campaign allows contributors to donate to any number of not-for-profit corporations anywhere in the world without cost. The University of New Mexico is a not-for-profit corporation that can benefit from United Way contributions. People can donate to their favorite program, their favorite cultural venue, scholarship, department, etc. Last year \$400,000 was given to community programs and UNM received \$600,000 dollars back in donations to its programs. Mr. Vigil asks that people participate as much as possible and help in any way. He also asks senators to take this message back to their departments and peers. Directing donations through the United Way would allow UNM a way to show involvement.

8. RESEARCH SERVICES LEARNING PROGRAM

Research Service Learning Program Director Dan Young (University College) and Research Service Learning Program Manager Marylin Davis (University College) presented information about the Research Services Learning Program (RSLP). The RSLP is intended to engage undergraduate students in research projects that are collaboratively designed with community partners. RSLP relies on the community-based

research principles that have evolved over the last couple of decades. The program began in University College and is an off-shoot of the Freshman Programs that were started in 2000. The Freshman Programs became successful and their budgets were absorbed into the I and G Budget. The original funding source was the President's Club and its directors were looking for another project. As a result, the funding for RSLP comes from the President's Club money that used to fund the Freshman Programs. The President's Club is money that has been donated to the President that is used for innovative purposes. Provost Dasenbrock and Assistant to the President Breda Bova supported the idea and assisted in getting funding for two years.

The program is in response to students that finished the Freshman Learning Experience and wanted to move on to something similar. RSLP is an attempt to carry on the classroom format of small, interactive seminar-type structure. RSLP is different in that the programs are deigned with community partners. A goal is that an on-going relationship with the community partners is being established. Community partners can include neighborhood associations or non-profits. The idea is that the work is on issues, questions, projects, etc., that are of real value to the community. Another goal is to involve students in courses to lead them to get a degree, either a major or minor. Departments will have a responsibility to ensure that the courses that are being involved in the RSLP actually do what the departments want them to do. The intention is that there will not be a second-rate version of the same course. There is a commitment to the student that they will get a much deeper experience that is less broad.

Research Service Learning Program Manager Marylin Davis (University College) is charged with connecting the university to the community. For example, city community centers have multiple needs. The City of Albuquerque is contemplating enhancing some of the community centers and Ms. Davis was approached to contact the School of Architecture and Planning and request their help in planning the 'best-space' for a children's environment. Albuquerque Reads is looking for volunteers to aid children in learning to read. Students in the RSLP have been asked to help.

In Academic Year 2007-2008 there will be stipend payments to faculty for doing extra work. Ms. Davis will negotiate logistics for faculty with the community. She will provide overview workshops for students so they understand community-based research service learning.

Research Service Learning Program Director Dan Young can be reached at 277-3355, and Program Manager Marylin Davis can be reached at 277-8282.

9. FACULTY CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCIAL ISSUES

Professor Tim Ross (Civil Engineering), President of the Faculty Club Board, gave a status report on the Faculty Club. There has not been a Faculty Club at UNM for eighteen years. The new club has been in operation for fourteen months. Faculty Senate Past Presidents Ed DeSantis and Beverly Burris aided in the efforts to reopen a Faculty Club. Former University President Louis Caldera was instrumental in getting the building set up and renovated, but he also gave a 2-3 year grant to get the club started and build the membership.

Currently, there are approximately 290 members of the Faculty Club. For the first year, Aramark Catering waived the labor. Beginning this month the Faculty Club will have to pay for labor. Revenue is about \$14,000 per year and the labor costs will be about \$35,000 per year. Membership needs to be increased. Membership dues are five dollars per month through payroll deduction or by check. The goal is to get the membership to over 500 by the end of Spring 2007. Special breakfasts and/or lunches will be offered in the spring as "membership drives."

The Faculty Club Board has been discussing a move towards a Faculty and Staff Club. Most universities around the country have Faculty and Staff Clubs. Those that have a Faculty Only Club also have a Staff Only Club. Currently membership is for anyone that gets their contract through Faculty Contracts. For information regarding the club, please visit: <http://www.unm.edu/~fca/>. The Faculty Club is located at 1923 Las Lomas NE.

There is a Christmas Party on December 13 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

10. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was raised.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Holmes
Office of the Secretary