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University of New Mexico

STAFF COUNCIL MEETING

July 20, 2010

SUB Lobo A & B

Members Present: Elisha Allen, Romeo Alonzo, Marsha Baumeister, Carol Bernhard, Natalie Bruner, Nissane Capps, Bob Christner, Mary Clark, Renee Delgado, Theresa Everling, Annabeth Fieck, James Gale, Richard Goshorn, Kim Halpern, Penny Hogan, George Kelbley, Sterling Kennedy, Lisa Kiscaden, Joyce Krantman, Etta Linton, Karen Mann, Christina Maris, Suzanne McConaghy, Linda McCormick, Shannon McCoy Hayes, Kathy McKinstry, Hollie Medina, Greg Molecke, Russell Morris, Jonathan Price, Shelley Rael, Joni Roberts, Fred Rose, and James Wernicke.

Members Excused: Maria Daw, Mary Jacintha, Juan Larrañaga, Janet Luarkie, Lisa McHale, Judy Wilson and Roberta Zozaya.

Members Absent: Marian Chavez, Debbie Ruiz, Inigo San Gil and Barbara Shortman.

Parliamentarian: Adam Hathaway

Call to order by Speaker, Linda McCormick at 1:05 pm, Quorum is established.

Amended agenda is approved.

Minutes: June 15, 2010, approved with corrections.

Constituent Comments:

\*Terry Shoebbotham, HSC Financial Services Division. Staff should contact Terry at [tshoebbotham@salud.unm.edu](mailto:tshoebbotham@salud.unm.edu) if they have questions/comments/issues with Banner processes. She is assisting with communication between staff and administration regarding Banner.

\*Barbara Gabaldon – Reports that book event was very successful at HSC site.

Executive Committee Report, President-Elect Mary Clark: Clark asks for assessment of SAM events on South Campus and Merle Kennedy reports that events have been well-attended. Clark thanks sponsors, SC committees and staff for their participation in the events held so far this July.

Clark reports that the Executive Committee met with Police Chief Guimond to discuss a new initiative entitled, Staff for Staff, which addresses the issue of domestic violence and workplace safety. Clark refers Councilors to the Women's Resource Center website (<http://www.unm.edu/~women>) for more information on this topic. Clark also suggests that the SC sponsor a Brown Bag information session for staff, faculty and students.

Clark reports that the Executive Committee is preparing for upcoming meetings of the Legislative Finance Committee. SC leadership will work to improve communication with administration so that staff will be well-represented at the discussion table. Frequent trips to Santa Fe to talk with legislators are planned.

President's Report, President Merle Kennedy: President Kennedy welcomes members to the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Staff Council Meeting. On 6/17/10 – President Kennedy attended the groundbreaking ceremony of the new 864 bed South Campus dorm; 6/17/10 – SC held retirement party for Karin Retskin; 6/21/10 – President Kennedy attended Executive Cabinet meeting. Bond D was discussed. There is concern that the Lottery Scholarship may not be fiscally sound in future years; 6/23/10 – President Kennedy and other campus constituent leaders met with Government Relations Committee to discuss how to appropriately represent their constituent groups and how to improve communication with the Board of Regents.; 7/1/10 – Kathy Meadows assumes the role of Administrative Coordinator for the Staff Council Office; 7/1/10 – SAM events begin; 7/8/10 – President Kennedy attended President Schmidly's Advance (similar to a retreat). Discussion centered on the expected reduction of I&G funding. The issue of shared governance and the roles that each constituent group plays was also addressed.

Speaker's Report, Speaker Linda McCormick: No report.

Guest Speaker: Christopher Ramirez and Jordan Johnson, LGBTQ Resource Center. Friday, 8/27/10 is the grand opening (open house) of the Center, which is located in Building 20A (former Payroll Bldg on Buena Vista), Room B10. The open house is from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a special celebration from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. The Center is open and available to provide services to the UNM and Albuquerque community. Funding for this Center is provided by UNM student fees. For more information, go to the LGTBQ Resource Center's website at <http://lgbtqrc.unm.edu>.

New Business: Marsha Baumeister, Chair, Career Development Committee, moved to adopt Staff Council Resolution-#4. Merle Kennedy moved to refer the resolution to CDC for revision. Motion passed.

#### Committee Reports:

\*Faculty Staff Benefits – Christina Maris: The new faculty Co-chair is Vera Norwood. There was no formal July meeting but the Committee met with Helen Gonzales to discuss important upcoming issues. RFP's are going out for long-term disability insurance, senior medical and life insurance plans. There is a retiree taskforce scheduled but no date was mentioned. Maris suggests that Councilors review the President's Strategic Advisory Goals on the President's website at <http://www.unm.edu/president>.

\*IT Cabinet – Bob Christner: No report.

Rewards and Recognition – Kathy McKinstry: Picnic ticket sales going well. UNM Valencia and Gallup branches have sold out. McKinstry explains door prize process and reminds Councilors that they are not eligible to receive prizes. Committee is preparing for the Jim Davis Staff Council Award. Award will be given out on 8/17/10 at the next Staff Council meeting.

\*Environs – Linda McCormick: Book exchange event on the main campus was very successful. McCormick thanks Committee members for their work.

#### Councilor Comments:

\*Lisa Kiscaden – Distributes information (flyers) on staff benefits for athletic events.

\*James Wernicke – Reports that UNM received LEED Platinum award (top level award) from the Green Building Council for the new College of Education Building.

\*Mary Clark – Staff need to pick up their new Lobo cards at the LoboCard Office.

\*Merle Kennedy – Reminds Councilors that it is their job to review UNM policies/guidelines and procedures.

\*Suzanne Mc Conaghy – Requests that 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary pins be distributed to CDC.

\*Theresa Everling – Reports that book event on North Campus was very successful.

\*Fred Rose – UNM Women’s Volleyball team is playing Stanford University in tournament play on 8/29/10. UNM is ranked number two in MWC in attendance. All games are free admission for staff.

\*Adam Hathaway – Compliments Councilors on their proper use of Roberts Rules of Order, especially during the debate on Resolution-#4. Hathaway reminds Councilors that, as specified by Roberts Rules and the Council Bylaws, they are limited to 10 minutes of comment on each item for a limit of twice.

Motion to adjourn, adopted at 2:33 pm.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Meadows

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