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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

February 8, 2005

The Regents of the University of New Mexico met on Tuesday, February 8, 2005, 1:00 p.m. in the Student Union Building Ballroom. A copy of the public notice is on file in the Office of the President.

Regents present:

James H. Koch, President
 Jack L. Fortner, Vice President
 Sandra K. Begay-Campbell
 Douglas M. Brown
 John M. "Mel" Eaves
 Raymond G. Sanchez
 Rosalyn D. Nguyen, Student Regent
 President Louis Caldera

Vice Presidents present:

Brian Foster, Provost/Executive Vice-President for Academic Affairs
 David Harris, Executive Vice President for Administration
 Phil Eaton, Vice President, Health Sciences Center
 Eliseo Torres, Vice President for Student Affairs
 Michael Carroll, Vice President for Advancement
 Terry Yates, Vice President for Research and Economic Development

Regents' Advisors present:

Ed DeSantis, President, Faculty Senate
 Steve Borbas, President, Staff Council
 Buckner Creel, President, GPSA
 Kevin Stevenson, President, ASUNM
 Coleman Travelstead, President, Alumni Association
 Robert Goodman, Chair, UNM Foundation

Others in attendance:

Leonard Trujillo, Governor, Cochiti Pueblo, Ernest Suina, Lt. Gov. Cochiti Pueblo, Dr. Joseph Suina

Members of the administration, faculty, staff, students, the media, and others

Regent James Koch presided and called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Incoming Regents Raymond G. Sanchez and Student Regent Rosalyn Nguyen were introduced, and welcomed. Regent Koch noted the significant history of leadership, and accomplishments for Mr. Sanchez in the State of New Mexico. Rosalyn Nguyen's accomplishments as an undergraduate and graduate highlight truly remarkable dedication and intelligence in the service of family, UNM students, and the community.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion approved unanimously to adopt the agenda:

APPROVAL OF SUMMARIZED MINUTES OF THE January 11, 2005 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Motion approved unanimously to accept the minutes of the January 11, 2005 meeting of the Board of Regents:

PUBLIC INPUT

- Comments were presented by a UNM Faculty member and NM community representative with regard to presentations on Global War on Terrorism and the issue of freedom of speech. Note that UNM might review budget expenditures as they relate to defense-related speakers on campus including representation by the intelligence agencies of the U.S.
- "The Return of Horn Mesa and its Meaning to Cochiti Pueblo" presentation was made by Dr. Joseph Suina on the history and spiritual significance of this land. UNM and Regents were thanked for the return of the land to the Cochiti Pueblo, will be invited to their ceremony in the future. Prayers of thanks were offered by Governor Leonard Trujillo and Lt. Governor Ernest Suina. The Drum made by the Cochiti People was presented to Regent Jamie Koch and the UNM Board of Regents in gratitude. The Drum will be displayed on the UNM campus in recognition of this historic event. Regent comments acknowledged the gracious Cochiti people, and the hope that it will not take 300 years the next time to return historic lands.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT, President Louis Caldera

- President Louis Caldera welcomed Regent Raymond Sanchez and Student Regent Rosalyn Nguyen.
- Taiwan Trip January 7-13 th included Terry Yates, Reed Dasenbrock, John Wood (MTTC), Steve Bruech and Kevin Malloy (CHTM), resulted in the signing of a MOA for an exchange program, key contact with the Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, and UNM International Program exchanges.
- Fundraising through the first 6 months of 2005 resulted in over \$20 million dollars, the best ever 6 month total. UNM United Way campaign total as of 2/4/05 is \$310, 186.56, ranking UNM as 5 th compared to a rank of 19 in '04. AVP searches in communications and development are progressing.

- NCAA certification-self study beginning with 30 faculty, staff, student athletes and community members. Purpose is to provide public review of efforts, highlighting good work.
- Budget Summit 2005 is under development by David Harris and Curt Porter.

COMMENTS FROM REGENTS

- Regent Fortner noted he was glad to be confirmed with Regent Sanchez.
- Regent Brown commended the UNM President, Regents and staff for the strong organized effort in the Legislative Session.
- Regent Nguyen noted the energy, involvement of students and UNM lobbyists was amazing and she was proud to be a part of UNM.
- Regent Sanchez thanked the President and Regents for the strong welcome and information, and is looking forward to serving on the Board of Regents.

The lottery scholarship came into being in 1996, and he will support it.

Regents need to address the Higher Education Act, and the effect it will have on the governance of UNM.

- Regent Begay-Campbell expressed congratulations to Regent Fortner on his confirmation and welcomed Regents Nguyen and Sanchez. UNM day was very active and impressive. The UNM Lobbyist team is both organized and strategic. Concern expressed that UNM is losing ground for female representation on both the Board and Administrative levels. 69% of students at UNM are female, requested the statistics for Administration.
- Regent Koch nominated Sandra Begay –Campbell as Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Regents . **Motion was approved unanimously.**

COMMENTS FROM REGENTS' ADVISORS

Dr. Ed DeSantis, President, Faculty Senate

- Faculty supports the student position on the Lottery scholarship. Higher Education Bill includes other problematic issues that can affect research, governance, authority of the Regents. Faculty members are producing in-depth research on outcomes.
- New regents are welcomed by the Faculty and invited to attend the Faculty Senate Operating Committee at their convenience. Faculty Club Open House is scheduled 2/24/05, 4-7PM. President Caldera, David Harris, and Dr. Eaton thanked for their support.

Steve Borbas, President, Staff Council

- New Regents are welcomed by the Staff Council.
- UNM staff numbers 6,000 total; Staff Council is 60 members, including 30 grade and 30 precincts, meaning all staff are covered by a council representative.
- UNM Day in Santa Fe-25 booths were manned by 75 staff and others to support UNM agenda.
- Compensation 4% and health insurance issues are of concern to both faculty and staff.
- Activities include elections now for grade 30 positions.
- Staff Council structure is being reviewed, currently includes 25 committees.
- Work-Life committee is holding a panel discussion on work-life issues on 3/9/05, III: 30are at the SUB.
- Mediation Course is recommended as a beneficial part of UNM employee orientation process.
- Staff Appreciation Week '05 will include staff as artists, book fairs, and health day and a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by HR, service by administrators—thanks to Susan Carkeek.

Buckner Creel, President, GPSA

- GPSA supports the ASUNM position and request on the Lottery Scholarship, although not as directly affected.
- Welcome to Regents Sanchez and Nguyen on behalf of GPSA.
- Graduate students represent ¼ of the student population at UNM (6,000).
- UNM Day was supported by Graduate Students, including UNM faculty and staff representation thanks to Steve Borbas.
- Programs include Law School Public Service Program which needs funding, since scholarships are down.
- International students – applications are down, focus needs to be on retention, and the community is adversely affected by this development.
- Graduate Council requests Regents support on issues, especially graduate student housing.
- Graduate Student Professional Week is scheduled for April 4-8, 2005.

Kevin Stevenson, President, ASUNM

- ASUNM is pleased to have Mr. Sanchez at UNM as a Regent. Rosalyn Nguyen is welcomed and noted her participation in high school recruiting for UNM.

- Lottery Scholarship decoupling is critical legislation for UNM students. Cost to students estimated at \$4,000 X 4 years. Retention will be affected as the 25% of Presidential Scholarships. The Hope Credit does not make up the difference. Students have been strongly visible in Santa Fe. Students supported the 12.8% tuition increase at UNM, now UNM is requested to commit to students to support maintaining the lottery scholarship. Regents were asked to take a position in support of UNM students on the Lottery Scholarship.

Discussion:

Regent Koch asked that the presentation of Leticia Chambers be recalled, who told the Regents these changes would not affect UNM. The Lottery Scholarship decoupling affects only UNM. Impact on students and families estimated at 2million. The costs will be shifted to students and their families. The current bill is an attempt to change the "meaning" of the Lottery Scholarship. Regents have not been there to support the students. Regents were asked to go on record supporting the student position. President Caldera noted that changes will impact the UNM Budget in many ways.

Coleman Travelstead, President, UNM Alumni Association

- The Alumni Association welcomes incoming Regents Nguyen and Sanchez.
- Legislative Report provided in handout.
- Alumni Reception 1/31/05 hosted Lt. Governor Denish, 60 legislators, and over 250 alumni members.
- Partnership with the Alumni and Legislative working with Carlos Romero has developed strong support for the UNM Legislative Agenda.
- Lobo Link is a system of pairing up alumni to legislative officials and is actively supporting the lottery scholarship this legislative session.
- Washington Trip 2/05 will be supported by the Alumni Association.
- Awards Dinner 2/17/05 honored: Arthur Melendres (Bernard S. Rodey Award), Jerry Jackson (James F. Zimmerman Award), Jerrill Atkinson (Erna S. Fergusson Award), and Tey Diana Rebolledo (Faculty Teaching Award).
- Alumni Board will meet 2/18/05.
- Lobo Days commemorating the University's founding on 2/28/1889, will host a Northern California event 2/26, with EVP David Harris as featured speaker; Houston will host a Lobo Day Baseball Bash, and Austin will feature Dr. Eliseo Torres on 2/27/05. New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco will hold events on 2/13/05.

Robert Goodman, Chair, UNM Foundation

- The UNM Foundation welcomes Regents Nguyen and Sanchez.
- No Specific report, all is going well under the direction of VP Michael Carroll.

Resolution of Support for the Cancer Research Treatment Centerll, Mel Eaves

History of the development of the Cancer Center, and current status of building development presented by Regent Eaves and Dr. Willman. The National Cancer Institute will visit UNM to designate UNM as an elite National Cancer Center. It is important for the Regents to demonstrate commitment to this process. Facts include the following: 36 new cancer physicians have been recruited, patient numbers 1200 in 2002 to 3000 in 2005. CRTC II was approved by the Board of Regents in 2002, now the site, cost and plan are needed.

Motion approved unanimously to adopt the resolution (document attached) with note made of Regent Koch's questions re: (a) legal opinion on the status of a public works project ; (b) a business plan that will address the current 2 ½ million shortfall in clinical operations and 7 million potential loss in surgery be addressed; (c) legal ramifications.

EVP Harris addresses the need to prioritize all UNM projects including this center, and will work with President Caldera and Dr. Phil Eaton to bring a plan back to the Board for review.

Discussion:

President Caldera--Important project for UNM and include look at private dollars to address the \$52 million costs. Sandia Foundation and other sources will be reviewed. This is a critical phase for HSC and fiscal challenges necessitate the importance of responsible planning to meet all UNM commitments.

Regent Brown noted the current challenge in medical operations including the uncompensated care issue. Specialty care is a strong development to include in the overall UNM health business plan.

Regent Eaves noted that the Cancer Center has already accomplished the strategic plan for HSC, and is showing a profit. Adult Specialty Care is a strong program. This will be a showpiece in the UNM Health Sciences portfolio.

Legislative Update, David Harris, Carlos Romero, Dolores Gonzalez

UNM is a subscriber to MCR a legislative analysis and tracing service. The process is in place to provide on the spot identification, review, and response to proposed legislation. UNM Regents will be kept abreast of legislative calendars and issues on a daily basis, via the lobbying team and the regent's office, to facilitate their support and attendance for specific legislation. Two main issues are decoupling of the lottery scholarship and the Higher Education Act creating a Cabinet position.

Legislative Requests FY 2005-06 presented and reviewed by Curt Porter (handout). Include line items for main campus and HSC operating. Unavoidable costs include a 5% utility increase (\$654,000) and 10% health insurance increase (\$870,000). and also the ERA at 1% increase would mean \$1 ½ million increase to UNM. Tuition income and malpractice costs also affect the budgets.

Discussion:

Funding options presented noted support for the DFA recommendation, including LFC option is appropriate cases. Note issue of nursing funding to UNM. UNM is a major site for nurse training, with 72 nurse's graduates yearly. Higher Education Department Act analysis discussed including the effect on UNM governance. Meeting with the Governor is on the table with option to take a position on the lottery scholarship before or after discussion. Regent Sanchez supporting acting from a position of strength to convey the message that facilitation is not possible on this issue. Meeting can address the governance issues for all NM institutions that will be affected by the H.E. Act creation.

Motion approved unanimously that the University Of New Mexico Board Of Regents go on record against the decoupling of the lottery scholarship. The Regents will stand in support with the UNM students.

REGENT COMMITTEE REPORTS

A CADEMIC/STUDENT AFFAIRS REGENTS' COMMITTEE, Douglas Brown, Chair

Information items include the following:

Biomedical Engineering Program will have significant growth

Library scholarly work subject will incur a cost to be included in future budget. Institution repository is being developed nationwide, and UNM should be included.

Honorary Degree Program merits a more visible event, including ceremony and broadening of nominations process.

Dashboard Academic Report by Dr. Foster has been helpful to highlight overall academic performances.

FINANCE AND FACILITIES REGENTS' COMMITTEE, Mel Eaves, Chair

Motion approved unanimously to approve the meeting summary from January 10, 2005.

Motion approved unanimously to approve the disposition of surplus property on list dated 1/20/05.

Motion approved unanimously to approve the nomination of Steve Beffort to the Board of Directors of Lobo Energy.

Motion approved unanimously to approve the Fiscal Watch Report, noting requirement for an update at the March 14, 2005 Board of Regent Meeting.

HEALTH SCIENCES COMMITTEE, Regent Fortner

Approval of Appointments to UNM Health Sciences Center Medical Staff

Motion approved unanimously to approve the Clinical Operations Board Nominations.

Motion approved unanimously to accept the expansion of privileges for Doctors.

Motion approved unanimously to approval the HSC Clinical Enterprise Strategic Plan (attachment)

EXECUTIVE SESSION NA

ADJOURNMENT APPROVED:

ATTEST: _____
President

Secretary/Treasurer