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August 16, 1984

President, University of New Mexico

I understand that whether you or the Provost is available to give an address at the meeting of the coming Faculty meeting at which a very important subject is going to be discussed. The question was asked at our meeting who the President should be. It is my understanding that Janet Koschik has been elected Vice President, and that you and the Provost are willing that she should be President. If that is the case, I think it is entirely appropriate for her to provide under those circumstances.

However, since the rules concerning the organization of the Faculty make no provision for a President in the absence of both the Provost and the Provost, it is my opinion that it will be up to the members present (forming a quorum) to choose a system President. If they so desire, they may elect Janet Koschik as President. I believe that the Faculty can elect its own President. I believe that the Faculty can elect its own President.

The basis for this opinion is Robert's Rule of Order which was incorporated into the rules concerning the organization of the Faculty.

cc: Anne Brown, Secretary

DATE: August 22, 1984

TO: All Members of the University Faculty

FROM: The Committee of Five

SUBJECT: Special Meeting, August 28, 1984

Given the generally expressed desire of the faculty at the August 21 meeting for a further opportunity to acquire information and exchange opinions on the presidential search, the Committee of Five calls another meeting of the General Faculty for Tuesday, August 28, at 3:00 in the Kiva.

Reports on the visit of Mr. Elac will be made and appropriate responses considered.

As it is expected that the Faculty Senate President will be among those reporting, Senators are urged to attend.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

Special Faculty Meeting

August 28, 1984

(Summarized Minutes)

Professor Janet Roebuck called the special faculty meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Kiva. She stated that President Perovich had appointed her as presiding officer of the meeting.

Professor Roebuck read a news release which indicated that Mr. John Elac had declined the offer of the UNM Board of Regents to be the University's next president. Roebuck said that the question now is what steps the Regents will take in order to appoint a president.

After extended discussion about what role faculty could expect to play in the presidential selection process, the following motions were passed:

(1) the faculty call upon the Board of Regents to request John Perovich to remain as president of the University of New Mexico until a successor is appointed and the faculty pledge its support to President Perovich during this period;

(2) the faculty call upon the Board of Regents to terminate their contract with P.A. Research Associates upon receipt of the pool of applicants and all other documents generated by the present search;

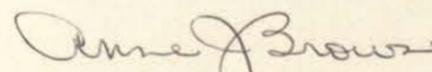
(3) the faculty call upon the Board of Regents to reopen the search for presidential candidates in full cooperation with the faculty;

(4) the faculty of the University of New Mexico call upon the governor of the state of New Mexico to fill vacancies on the UNM Board of Regents with persons of distinguished achievement who have knowledge of and comittment to the values and needs of higher education as well as respect for the role of faculty, staff, and students in university governance.

A motion to urge the Regents to adopt procedures for administrative searches approved by the Faculty Senate in March 1983 failed to carry.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anne J. Brown, Secretary

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Special Faculty Meeting

August 18, 1984

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(3) The faculty call upon the Board of Regents to reopen the search for ... candidates in full cooperation with the faculty;

(4) The faculty of the University of New Mexico call upon the Governor of ... to call a special session of the Board of Regents on the 11th day of ... of distinguished achievement who have knowledge of and interest in ... and needs of higher education as well as respect for the role of ... and students in university governance.

A motion to name the agenda for next procedure for administrative ... approved by the Faculty Senate in March 1983 failed to carry.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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DATE: August 27, 1984

TO: Professor Janet Roebuck
 FROM: John Perovich, *John Perovich* President
 SUBJECT: General Faculty Meeting

I hereby appoint you to preside at the special meeting of the General Faculty which will be held at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, August 28, 1984.

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cc: University Secretary

DATE: October 24, 1984

To: UNM General Faculty

FROM: The Committee of Five (Professors Bennahum, T. Holzapfel, Merckx, Roebuck and D. Sánchez)

SUBJECT: Special Faculty Meeting on November 13, 1984, at 3:00 P.M. in the Kiva, to consider Amendments to the Faculty Constitution affecting the composition and size of the Faculty Senate.

On April 26, 1984, the UNM General Faculty held a meeting to consider changes proposed by the Committee of Five for the purpose of improving the effectiveness of the Faculty Senate. This was the first of two meetings of the General Faculty required under the Faculty Constitution before amendments can be considered in a mail ballot by the members of General Faculty. The minutes of the April 26 meeting, as approved by the Committee of Five, are attached to this memorandum, together with a copy of the proposed changes, as amended at that meeting.

The second meeting of the General Faculty to consider these changes will take place on November 13 at 3:00 P.M., in the Kiva, immediately preceding the regular Faculty Senate meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 3:30. At this meeting the amended constitutional changes will be discussed. Further amendments may be considered at that time.

The Committee of Five plans to introduce two minor amendments to the constitutional changes as they currently stand before the Faculty. The first is to introduce language in Sec. 4(c) giving a name to the Committee of Five, to avoid growing confusion between this committee and the five-person Senate Operations Committee, as follows (the proposed change is underlined): " A committee of five members of the voting faculty, to be known as the Committee on Governance. . . "

The second change is to insert corrective language to an amendment introduced in the last faculty meeting that gives ex officio membership in the Senate to all part-time faculty members of branch campuses, under Sec. 6(b)(iv), with the proposed changes indicated by the marked deletions and underlining: "The provost, all associate provosts and vice presidents of the University and all deans of schools or colleges and faculty directors from branch campuses ~~without a full-time faculty~~ shall be ex officio, nonvoting members of the Faculty Senate. . . "

Among the attachments to this memorandum you will find a copy of the original memo of the Committee of Five to the General Faculty calling for the April 26 meeting. Most of the provisions for amending the Faculty Constitution remain more or less intact following the April 26 meeting, but it should be noted that the language calling for release time for senators has been deleted.

We urge all faculty members to attend the meeting of November 13 so that these important amendments can receive full consideration.