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# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico June 12, 2018

#### **UNM-Gallup Branch Campus**

Open Session and Executive Session - Student Services and Technology Center Rm. 200

#### Members present

Garrett Adcock; Michael Brasher; Tom Clifford, Secretary Treasurer; Rob Doughty, President; Marron Lee, Vice President

#### Members not present

Brad Hosmer; Suzanne Quillen

#### Administration present

Garnett S. Stokes, President; James Malm, CEO UNM-Gallup Branch Campus; Paul Roth, Executive Vice President and Chancellor for Health Sciences, CEO, UNM Health System, Dean, School of Medicine; Alfred Mathewson, Interim Chief Legal Counsel; Rich Wood, Interim Senior Vice Provost for Provost Abdallah; Ava Lovell, HSC Sr. Exec. Officer of Finance and Administration; Dana Allen, VP Alumni Relations; Eddie Nuñez, Athletics Director; Liz Metzger, Controller; Elizabeth 'Libby' Washburn, Chief Compliance Officer and President's Chief of Staff; Cinnamon Blair, Chief University Communications and Marketing Officer

#### UNM-Gallup Local Advisory Board Members present

Ralph Richards, Chair; Priscilla Smith, Secretary; Gerald O'Hara

#### Regents' Advisors present

Steve Borbas, Retiree Association President; Rob Burford, Staff Council President; Boney Mutabazi, GPSA President; Becka Myers, ASUNM President

#### Presenters in attendance

Rob Robinson, Athletics Fiscal Operations Director

# Others in attendance

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

# CALL TO ORDER, CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM, ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Regent President Rob Doughty called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM and opened the meeting by thanking the Gallup community and the UNM-Gallup Local Board members who hosted the Regents for breakfast. This is the first time in UNMN-Gallup's 50 year history that the Board of Regents has met on its campus. Regent Doughty stated on behalf of the board, it was an honor to be at UNM-Gallup; he thanked everyone at UNM-Gallup for their hard work and said he looked forward to continued dialogue. Regent Doughty confirmed a quorum with five Regents present, and he asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

The motion to adopt the agenda passed unanimously (1st Lee; 2nd Adcock).

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The motion to approved the minutes of the May 11, 2018 regular meeting passed unanimously (1st Lee; 2nd Brasher).

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (no comments)

#### REGENT ADVISORS COMMENTS

Steve Borbas introduced himself as the new President of the Retiree Association, replacing Donna Smith who served this past year. Dr. Borbas was a member of both the staff and the faculty at the University - an adjunct professor for 33 years until last year in the School of Architecture and Planning. Additionally, Dr. Borbas was the University's architect and planner for 20 years, retiring in 2008; he was planner also for the branch campuses, including the Gallup Branch Campus. He is also a veteran and now a painter and sculptor. On behalf of the Retiree Association, this coming year, Dr. Borbas wants to focus on benefits, health insurance, and looking at

ways to bring retirees back to the University so they can contribute in their special areas of knowledge and expertise. Dr. Borbas looks forward to meeting each of the Regents personally and working with them in the year to come.

#### **COMMENTS FROM REGENTS**

Regents Marron Lee and Michael Brasher thanked the UNM-Gallup community for being so welcoming and for hosting the meeting.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

President Stokes opened stating Saturday, June 9 marked the 100th day of her UNM Presidency, and she gave an update on her statewide listening tour that kicked off May 16. President Stokes has so far visited all 4 branch campuses and surrounding communities and by summer's end, will have visited all 33 counties in the State. The hallmark of her administration's efforts will be listening to and learning from the UNM community and communities throughout the State. A recurring and emergent theme is a strong desire for UNM to improve its communications with more frequency and transparency. At the end of the tour, Dr. Stokes will charge working groups to study and develop solutions to issues that are brought to light.

President Stokes updated the Regents on initial critical priorities including, a Veteran-Friendly campus, campus safety, research, and faculty compensation and retention. The presence of active military and veterans statewide requires UNM to be a more military and veteran-friendly campus. To better serve student veterans, UNM will provide training for faculty and staff, as well as campus-wide green zone training in the fall. Administration is focusing on advisement for veterans and will host a special event to welcome student veterans to campus in the fall. Progress on the campus safety initiative includes the purchase of a mobile camera to increase security at events, as well as additional bicycles for better police presence and community engagement. UNMPD is also reviewing Segways as an option. In addition, President Stokes has allocated \$10K in additional funds to support Campus Safety Week. As part of strengthening the research enterprise, as well as ramping up UNM's research portfolio, President Stokes will break down barriers preventing interdisciplinary collaboration with the belief that solutions for societal problems are found at the intersections of multiple disciplines. President Stokes acknowledged campus concern regarding faculty compensation and retention. This will be an issue of greater focus soon. Additionally, Dr. Stokes plans to devote attention to the University redesign efforts starting in early fall.

President Stokes commented on UNM leadership changes including, the recent hiring of UNM Hospital's new CEO, Kate Becker; the ongoing search for University's Chief Legal Counsel; and a structure evaluation of the Office of Finance & Administration that will continue to be reviewed before launch of a search in early September.

President Stokes affirmed her commitment to the success of the Athletics Department and recognized its critical role at a flagship University. Administration's priority is to right-size the department while supporting student athletes and coaches. AD Nunez is developing a plan that will inevitably involve the reduction and/or elimination of some varsity sports. He will provide recommendations for President Stokes' review and then she will bring them forward to the Board in July. She expressed hope that, during this difficult process, Lobo fans will continue to support students, coaches, and the University.

In closing, President Stokes noted that public research institutions were created to serve public interests and that is why she plans to build on the foundation of past and current successes while seeking innovative ways to educate UNM's students and expand research. In a globally competitive environment, UNM's success means success for the entire State. President Stokes' administration will focus on how best to serve citizens while allowing the State to be nationally and globally competitive. She plans to examine the strategic direction of the University beginning this fall and expressed excitement about collaborating with regents, the campus community, and all who love UNM in order to determine its future direction.

Regent Clifford commented that he appreciated the message regarding fulfilling the trust of the public to maintain support for UNM. He inquired about safety collaborations with the Albuquerque Police Department (APD), not only for campus, but for areas neighboring UNM and cited anecdotal evidence that this concern has driven away potential UNM students. He noted his agreement with the expansion of community policing. President Stokes noted that UNM is challenged by its urban location. She expressed interest in increased

partnerships with APD and with City of Albuquerque leadership to explore collaborative opportunities to improve safety on campus that could also impact the safety of Albuquerque as a whole.

Regent Clifford inquired about research initiatives among UNM's campuses, noting competition among campuses elevates performance, but leveraging resources is wise due to constrained budgets. Regent Clifford also commented he was sympathetic with faculty concerns regarding compensation and noted the need to ensure changes in compensation align with strategic direction. President Stokes agreed.

Regent Lee inquired follow up regarding hiring preference for veterans. President Stokes responded UNM does not currently have preference for veterans, but Human Resources is reviewing what can be done to create it. Regent Clifford noted the State has a model for preference in their procurement code that might be helpful to review.

#### Approval of new UNM Alumni Association Board Members

Dana Allen presented the item for Harold Lavender, the President of the UNM Alumni Association, and referred to material that was included in the agenda eBook. The new members of the Alumni Association's Board of Directors will serve a 3-year term, beginning July 1, 2018 and concluding June 30, 2021, The slate of new members was ratified by the Alumni Association Board of Directors' at its June 8 meeting. The Board Development Committee worked through a 2-3 month process of reviewing and selecting individuals and was proactive to look for candidates outside of just Albuquerque proper to ensure the board reflects more of the State as a whole. The committee also worked to broaden the professional diversity within the group so as to cover representation of the range of colleges and departments at UNM.

Regent Clifford complimented the Alumni board and members for an excellent slate of very qualified and creative individuals.

Regent Doughty read out the new members' names and added it is nice to see people volunteering for these positions which are very important, and Regent Doughty expressed thanks to the new members.

The motion to approve the new UNM Alumni Association Board members passed unanimously (1<sup>st</sup> Clifford; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lee).

#### **REGENT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **CONSENT DOCKET**

Regent Doughty addressed the consent docket and asked if any member had questions or concerns about any item on the docket. There being none, Regent Lee moved approval.

- Finance and Facilities Committee (F&F)
  - a. Approval of Disposition of Surplus Property for Main Campus for May 2018
  - b. Approval of Naming Committee request to establish the, "Guido Daub Endowed Professorship in Chemistry"
  - c. Approval of Naming committee request to establish the, "Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Endowed Chair in the College of Arts and Sciences"
  - d. Approval of Annual Renewal of the Maui High Performance Computing Center (HPCC) Lease
  - e. Approval of Termination of Long-Term Ground Lease for 1111 Stanford Dr., NE (Bernalillo County Health Building)
  - f. Approval of Harwood Board Appointments: Arif Khan and Nicole Dopson

The motion to approve the items on the Consent Docket passed unanimously (1st Lee; 2nd Brasher).

#### FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

#### Monthly Athletics Financial Report (information item)

Rob Robinson presented the financial report originally presented at the May 8 Finance and Facilities Subcommittee meeting, with two additions: 1) actuals through May; and 2) sport enhancement transfers and grant and aid expenses, listed by sport. Schedule A showed pooled revenues, directed revenues such as sports

tickets and football game guarantees, as well as categorized expenses. Also included, per Regent Clifford's request, were FY18 original budget figures alongside projected actuals. The projected actuals included all salary and benefits to June 30 and all non-labor expenses through the end of May. The expenses for June remain to be added.

The FY18 projected actuals, which included the Mesa del Sol funds, showed \$600K net available to spend in June to balance the budget at year end. Mr. Robinson noted that additional movements need to take place; enhancement transfers began in the middle of May, with another round of transfers slated at the end of June. Funds transferred include the following: Men's Golf, \$58K; Women's Golf, \$7500; Men's Soccer, \$67K; Women's Soccer, \$15K; and Men's Tennis, \$14K. Additional transfers submitted by Mr. Robinson that have yet to be posted include: Baseball, \$76K; Men's Skiing, \$75K; and Women's Skiing, \$52K. The total transfer to date (included on Schedule A) is \$162k. The \$600K figure of available balance for the month of June will increase to \$800K with these additional transfers. At the end of June, enhancement transfers will take place for any additional expenses that post in June in the sports that have the funds to offset them.

Grant and aid expenses have posted for Summer 2 (2017) and Summer 1 (2018). Summer 2 (2018) will be included in FY19. Mr. Robinson noted that on Schedule B, for the FY18 budget, the grant and aid line item for Football of \$1,724,282 projected actuals is confirmed. He noted that no items are entered yet for student cost or grant and aid for Football in the FY19 budget line item; those figures will be included once confirmed in the fall. Athletics has planned for the same or higher grant and aid budget as in FY18.

Schedule D consists of Lobo Club fundraising information and its operating budget. Figures include total fundraising, lobo scholarship transfer, sport enhancement fund totals, Pit suite, club suite, revenue and gift-in-kind, operating budget, and information regarding the breakdown of Lobo scholarship funds transferred for grant and aid to Football, Men's Basketball, and a combination of both (e.g., if a donor purchases tickets for both Football and Men's Basketball). Categories included are general and may contain subcategories; for example, recruiting travel is included in the main travel category. Mr. Robinson offered to supply more specific or general information in accordance with the Regents' needs. He noted after June 30, Athletics will have hard numbers. He also noted the \$800K net balance speaks to the campus collaboration between UNM's Finance Office and Provost's Office, specifically thanking Nicole Dopson and Vahid Staples, in moving to a shared services model, which has made a difference on the bottom line net number.

Regent Clifford inquired what was driving the increases in expenditures in the services line item on Schedule A. He noted that in general he would like to see an explanation of drivers whenever there are wide variations in a line item. Mr. Robinson responded it includes any contracted services, ranging from security and medical to special events. If revenues or expenses increase on special events, figures will change. He agreed that an explanation of drivers would be helpful and stated he will provide the requested information by email to the Board.

Regent Lee noted that some sports have utility expenses and some do not, and requested explanation as to this discrepancy. Mr. Robinson noted there are additional funds in facilities (such as South Campus) that are transferred in or out of P21. He noted that he will examine this more closely, determining which sports are being charged and for what, and why others are not. Regent Lee inquired about the Spirit Teams travel expenses. AD Nunez noted the Spirit travel expenses are included in team travel figures. Regent Lee requested it be broken out; she also asked that sports enhancement transfers be streamlined. Mr. Nunez noted sports' utilities, such as swimming, are included in an overall utilities budget, and some are not, noting that the golf course is a separate entity. He reiterated that Athletics will break it down and provide information to Regents.

AD Nunez then shared highlights for Athletics. In the last 17 years, Lobo Athletics is the only Mountain West institution to have at least two Academic All-Americans. This year UNM has three, and will definitely have a fourth, with potentially a fifth. UNM has had a total of 106 Academic All-Americans over a number of years, ranking among the top 30 of Division I institutions. For the last six years, UNM has led the Mountain West in the number of Scholar-Athletes. This year, UNM will have its largest number yet, with 200 Mountain West Academic All-Conference selections. UNM continues to do a great job with APR. This year UNM had nine teams reach a perfect score of 1000 on APR. The Lobo Men's and Women's Track teams competed at the NCAA in June. The women's placed 17<sup>th</sup>, while the men's finished 43<sup>rd</sup> among 60+ institutions. Women competed for

championships in all events. UNM finished as the highest non-Power 5 institution. UNM leads the Director's Cup with the most points in the Mountain West. Mr. Nunez has met with student government representatives to partner on more opportunities, and UNM athletes are also committed to supporting the mission of the University and the campus community.

AD Nunez noted he will speak at a future meeting about the changing landscape of college athletics, including pending lawsuits regarding such issues as names, images and likenesses, and paying student athletes. The Mountain West is exploring opportunities with television contracts that will be beneficial in the long run, but will force difficult decisions about platforms. eSports is the largest growing events in the world; the Mountain West partnered with eSports to host a men's and women's basketball tournament this year, which was one the largest attended events of the year. Other opportunities include sports betting. Mr. Nunez will return to the Board with a comprehensive look at the future.

Regent Lee expressed that the monthly Athletics report is crucial to ensure UNM is abreast of developments in Athletics.

Regent Clifford inquired about a plan to address the reported Title IX compliance issues. Mr. Nunez noted he has met with President Stokes to update her, as well as other campus leaders. The report remains a key component of the process to assess sports. UNM will also have to address facilities upgrades. Mr. Nunez plans meet with coaches and staff to see how the department may address compliance. UNM leadership is on board to ensure due diligence in developing a 3-5 year plan that will allow for compliance for years to come.

Regent Clifford noted the facilities issues raised the question of whether UNM has been prioritizing facilities spending appropriately, advocating for a longer-term perspective on maintaining compliance, despite constraints on state funding. He noted that the internal Audit Committee reports finalized this past month included a comprehensive review of Athletics, mostly focused financial issues. He encouraged the board to read it. The Audit Committee will maintain a dashboard of the findings and progress in bringing them into compliance. Regent Clifford encouraged Athletics to develop their own dashboard to keep pace, noting that everyone in Athletics must own departmental finances, including coaches.

Regent Clifford inquired how Athletics intersects with branch campus programs. Mr. Nunez noted that he has traveled to branches recently with President Stokes, and Coach Weir has traveled to many communities around the State and is currently working with leaders in Santa Fe to form a partnership to bring in other communities. UNM's track coach is making regular trip to Taos to partner with pueblos and the Taos community. UNM Athletics continues to broaden its horizon with other communities to build a brand regionally and nationally.

Regent Clifford inquired if branch campus athletes compete with main teams and if intermural programs fall under Athletics' budget. Mr. Nunez stated that branches have separate teams, and intermural programs are not part of the Athletics budget.

Regent Brasher inquired if Schedule A expense categories contain expenses for payroll, purchasing, legal, audit, and risk management. Mr. Robinson responded that payroll expenses are included pointing out that the salary and payroll benefits line items combine to the total payroll figure. Regent Brasher inquired if indirect services provided by the University (such as Human Resources, Risk Management, Audit, Purchasing, Payroll and Compensation) are charged to the Athletic Department in any of the expense categories. Mr. Robinson noted that any shared services cost that is absorbed by Athletics would be included in shared services line item. Regent Brasher inquired specifically about legal expenses, and Ms. Metzger clarified that if there is a specific legal issue pertaining only to Athletics, then Athletics would cover expenses or there would be an arrangement with the President's office.

Gerald O'Hara inquired why UNM supports a larger number of sports than other Mountain West institutions. AD Nunez responded the minimum number of sports an institution must support to be Division I is 16, but UNM has supported 22 sports for a number of years. Some institutions have even more. Regent Lee added the more sports UNM supports, the more student athletes UNM has on campus, and the more students are attracted to UNM. She noted that whether UNM can sustain those student athletes all at the R1 flagship level is the question with which UNM is wrestling now.

Mr. O'Hara inquired if there is an international/national group for certain minor-interest sports from which UNM receives support. Regent Lee replied there is not. Mr. Nunez offered to speak with Mr. O'Hara more after the meeting.

# Monthly Consolidated Financial Reports through April 30, 2018 (Information item)

Liz Metzger, University Controller, presented the monthly financial report as of April month end. She reminded the regents that given the timeframe of month end reports and committee meetings, monthly financial reports are always two months in arears to the month of the meeting. She noted that after her high-level summary, she would be available for any questions on the specific reports for the Main, Branch, and HSC campuses.

Ms. Metzger stated that the Main Campus pooled actual tuition as of April 30 (pre-summer) is \$128 million, versus the budget of \$132.7 million, for a difference of \$3.8 million, which is expected to be recognized when summer tuition posts. Distributed tuition & fees includes differentials, course and lab fees, extended Ed fees, and continuing Ed fees totaling \$20 million. Mandatory student fees are tracking to budget at \$1.2 million as of April. The bottom line is that actuals are still in line with the revised budget for tuition and fees for Main Campus. The consolidated net results of operations is approximately \$39 million, with the breakdown of approximately \$22 million for Main Campus, \$3.2 million for Branch Campuses, and \$8 million for the HSC. Campuses net positive balances reflect the influx of tuition and fees that post all at once, then campuses spend funds down over the course of the semester; salaries for May and June are not reflected in April figures. Consolidated I&G revenues total \$398 million, with expenditures totaling \$375 million, for \$23.2 million results of operations in consolidated I&G. Again, May and June expenses are not included.

Regent Brasher inquired the balance in reserves for the University. Ms. Metzger was unsure of the exact figure and stated she would follow up with the regents through email. Regent Brasher inquired about the \$617K reserve funds used by the HSC mostly for small portions of the hiring packets for two new Deans. Ms. Metzger noted the figures in the executive summary are budgeted funds. Ava Lovell, Senior Executive Officer, HSC Finance and Administration, clarified the funds are budgeted for likely spending in the recent hire of Deans for the Colleges of Nursing and Pharmacy. The HSC recently negotiated letters of offer, which included items such as renovated labs suitable for their research. To remain competitive in hiring, UNM must offer competitive packages. Regent Brasher inquired if the \$617K was the total cost of the packages. Ms. Lovell stated that she would distribute the final cost to the regents.

Regent Clifford inquired about the gift revenues increase on the consolidate operations table. Ms. Lovell stated is was an HSC one-time gift of \$2 million for the Kidney Foundation, and \$400K for the Neurosurgery and Spine Center, earmarked for facilities and programs. The funds will begin to be spent in the next fiscal year.

Regent Clifford inquired about a 20% decrease in I&G appropriations for the Gallup Campus, and asked if that was due to State funding. Ms. Metzger clarified the figure was actuals for April only, as compared to the entire year budget, and the \$1.4 million will be realized by June 30. Regent Clifford expressed he would like information regarding what is happening year-to-date as compared to the previous year. Ms. Metzger concurred.

#### **AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE**

Regent Clifford, Chair of the committee, directed attention to the summary report for the May 17 meeting that was provided in the eBook and strongly recommended members review the athletics audit which was approved at the meeting. In addition, three UNM Hospital audits were approved. The meeting also entailed the entrance conference with the external audit firms, Moss Adams and KPMG, for audit of the University's FY18 financial statements, Athletics will be revisited to see what kind of progress has been made this year. The auditors will also be asked to examine with more scrutiny UNM Hospital transfers among units going forward. Regent Clifford brought attention to the Chief Compliance Officer Status report; Libby Washburn has been doing an outstanding job, and there will be a very big hole to fill there when she leaves.

# DR. MALM'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT ON UNM-GALLUP CAMPUS

Dr. Malm, CEO of UNM-Gallup Campus, gave the following report to the Regents:

"It is my pleasure to address you today as the UNM-Gallup CEO and let you know of some of our challenges. Gallup is a distressed community as recognized by the Economic Innovation Group.

Our area is in the bottom quintile of 26,000 zip codes as assessed over 7 weighted variables which include

- no high school diploma
- housing vacancy rate
- adults not working
- poverty rate
- median income ratio
- change in employment and business establishments

As contrasted with prosperous communities that added 6.5 million jobs, we lost 1 in 8 or 2.2 million and 84,000 places of business. Businesses must do more than manage and then leave behind.

Smaller, less prosperous enterprises must link with a prosperous entity which is what we do with the University of New Mexico. You bring us prosperity. UNM-Gallup brings hope to our region. We are part of the solution.

My family and I arrived in Gallup late last year. Within the first few weeks we lost two of the three senior managers on the CEO's team. Our Director of Business Operations and the Dean left Gallup for points east. I was handed a \$500k mid-year deficit with a predicted \$400K structural deficit for FY 19. We were finding the bottom of a 6 year double digit enrollment decline. Fundraising to restore historic Lions Hall fell short of its goal. We rejected a consultant's proposal for help in building a strategic enrollment plan.

We rallied the campus in a program prioritization project during our spring convocation where every budget index manager wrote to their recent funding and charted against efficiency and effectiveness measures. Most scored high on mission effect but low on financial efficiency. We RIF'd, attritioned and retired our way to a balanced budget with no tuition increases or use of reserves. We suffered a governor's veto for our career technology building on the GO bond. We failed a search for a Dean of Instruction and worked to save a public charter school operating on campus from their school district's charter revocation.

However, as we start FY 19 at the end of this month we are 18% up for summer and 9% up for fall enrollments. We've also maintained a 94% minority student percentage. We've contracted with UNM to train CYFD caregivers in our childcare lab and welcomed a new public school district academy to campus which will provide hundreds of rural high achievers to campus from 9 high schools. We signed a 4-year least extension with our MCHS public charter high school. We have scheduled semi-finalist interviews with dean and chair candidates and welcomed a fifth board member, Terri Garcia, who fills a long-vacant position. We've also started work on our new physical plant building.

Our administrative goals for 2019 include an environmental scan this summer with our institutional research group looking at what our community wants and what the Department of Labor says we need. We will undertake a strategic plan refresh with faculty shared governance, and begin an internal strategic enrollment plan. We are also ready to welcome the HLC reaffirmation team visit in early March.

Thank you for the opportunity to address you and share our challenges, our opportunities, our achievements and our goals for the future."

Regent Clifford thanked Dr. Malm for his report and added it sounds like the negative trends in enrollment and tuition revenue are hopefully in the middle of a potential turn-around in those trends, and the budget will follow that.

Regent Doughty asked Dr. Malm what primarily was contributing to the growth of the enrollment. Dr. Malm responded two things have happened to attribute to the summer enrollment turnaround: 1) they pulled back on specialty courses usually offered in the summer and offered more those classes that are critical to the degree path and also tend to fill up in the Fall, including labs, and 2) The Department of Education is awarding summer Pell Grants again, which has not been done in years, so students can get federal funding for summer school.

Local Board Chair, Ralph Richards, thanked the Regents for being on the UNM-Gallup Campus. He expressed appreciation for having Dr. Malm as CEO and spoke about some of the challenges at UNM-Gallup and the need

to be a progressive community campus. It's a unique area. Most of the students cannot afford to go out of town to the university. UNM-Gallup has to be unique in how it gets the student through its programs with quality education and also the support they need. He emphasized the importance of the students, especially at a community campus. Chair Richards talked about the difficult budget cuts, the importance of partnerships that could help improve services for students, and the importance of bridging McKinley County students into higher education. The campus should be the economic driving factor of the community and the region, so to provide jobs for the students. Chair Richards summed up the goals and his hopes the Regents and President Stokes will help in attaining them.

Local Board Secretary, Priscilla Smith, thanked the Regents for coming to Gallup and spoke passionately about student advocacy and some of the things she would like to see happen for students including, partnerships with high schools to help prepare students for college; partnerships with UNM so students can finish their second two years of degree program at UNM's Main campus; financial aid for students and families; educating students to be the doctors, nurses, PAs, and technicians that the community needs. There is a lot of talent among the students, but they need to be prepared, starting in high school, so they will know what they need to do to be ready for college. Secretary Smith spoke about UNM-Gallup being an integral part of UNM and encouraged working together as a community to foster the success of students including support and programs that encourage students to look forward to completing degrees that are offered at Main Campus.

Regent Doughty thanked Secretary Smith and Chair Richards for their comments.

Regent Lee commented with regard to student preparedness and the charter school on UNM campus in Albuquerque, the Albuquerque Institute for Math and Science (AIMS), ranked the best charter school in the State and also ranks among the best charter high schools in the nation. Chair Richards responded there has been a charter school on UNM-Gallup campus that has recently become a political issue. He added UNM-Gallup started the first high school academy in the State. Regent Lee encouraged contacting AIMS and learning about the best practices the school employs.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT (no comments)

#### **ADVISORS' REPORTS**

Boney Mutabazi, GPSA President, introduced himself as the new GPSA president and introduced his Chief of Staff, Melissa Henry. Mr. Mutabazi is studying community and regional planning in the School of Architecture and Planning. GPSA leaders are team building, preparing for the return of students in the Fall, researching reports to learn about issues and recommendations from former GPSA leaders, interacting with constituents to gain valuable input, and look forward to interacting with other campus leadership and the Regents to find ways to contribute. GPSA is also planning leadership training to increase leadership within the graduate student population.

Becka Myers, ASUNM President, introduced herself as the new ASUNM President – a senior studying Political Science, has served within ASUNM's Chief of Staff office and last year as a senator. Ms. Myers values open communication and transparency. One of the priorities this coming year will be the 'Proud Lobo' initiatives to highlight successes, strides and opportunities the University offers.

Rob Burford, Staff Council President, looks forward to working with the Regents in the coming year. Mr. Burford is also the University's Clery Compliance Officer; he stated with regard to safety on campus, there has been more transparency from APD with the University Police Department, and it has fostered awareness about what is going on around campus. The police departments are also working on the Motor Vehicle Task Force to address motor vehicle thefts, including placing the new security cameras in parking lots.

Regent Brasher encouraged working also with neighborhood associations to address the crime in the surrounding areas.

## VOTE TO CLOSE THE MEETING AND PROCEED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion to close the meeting and proceed in executive session passed unanimously (1st Lee; 2nd Clifford).

#### The meeting closed at 11:29 AM.

Members present during closed session: Rob Doughty, Marron Lee, Tom Clifford, Michael Brasher, Garrett Adcock.

- 1. Discussion and determination where appropriate of limited personnel matters as permitted by Section 10-15-1.H(2), NMSA (1978)
- Discussion and determination where appropriate of strategic and long-range business plans or trade secrets of public hospitals as permitted by Section 10-15-1H(9), NMSA (1978)
- Discussion regarding internal audit prior to release of audit report as permitted by Regents' Policy 1.2
- 4. Discussion and determination where appropriate of threatened or pending litigation as permitted by Section 10-15-1.H(7), NMSA (1978)

VOTE TO RE-OPEN THE MEETING AND CERTIFICATION THAT ONLY THOSE MATTERS DESCRIBED ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA WERE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION AND IF NECESSARY, FINAL ACTION WITH REGARD TO THOSE MATTERS WILL BE TAKEN IN OPEN SESSION

The motion to re-open the meeting passed unanimously. The meeting re-opened at 1:10 PM. The doors to the Student Services and Technology Center room 200 were opened.

Regent Doughty certified that only those items described in the closed session agenda were discussed and there was one item, a personnel matter, upon which the board would take action in open session.

The motion that the Regents deny the request for discretionary appeal of OEO #I-2017-04-18 passed unanimously (1st Lee; 2nd Adcock).

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Regent Doughty asked for a motion to adjourn; Regent Lee motioned; Regent Clifford seconded; motion passed unanimously; the meeting adjourned at 1:16 PM.

Approved:

Attest:

Marin Lee for

Robert M. Doughty III, President

Attest:

Tom Clifford, Secretary/Treasurer