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Minutes of the Meeting of the 
UNM Health Sciences Center Board of Directors 
August 23, 2011 
Domenici Center for Health Sciences Education Bldg., Room 3010

Board of Directors present: Carolyn Abeita, Don Chalmers, Ron Solimon, Mel Eaves, Lt. Gen. Brad Hosmer, Ann Rhoades
Board of Directors absent: Jerry Geist
HSC Leadership present: Chancellor Paul Roth and a majority of the HSC senior leaders
Others present: Members of the HSC staff, members of Main campus staff, community members

Carolyn Abeita, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m., established a quorum, and gave a brief welcome.

Motion was made to adopt agenda; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Motion was made to approve the Minutes of the July 26, 2011 HSC Board of Directors’ meeting; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

In his administrative report, Chancellor Paul Roth reported that he will hold a Town Hall on August 24. He announced that a recent visit by a group from the HSC to Taos and Farmington to discuss community programs was productive. The LFC Hearing held recently went well. Also the HSC has had success in participating in opportunities as a result of the Affordable Care Act having just received $1 million for our HEROs program. In the Clinical and Translational Sciences Center, Dr. Larson has put together an innovative, one of a kind program creating a consortium of other western universities resulting in a grant in the amount of approximately $20 million for joint programs. The College of Pharmacy recently welcomed its 66th entering class. The College of Nursing, in partnership with UNM Hospital, is building a school-based clinic at Atrisco Heritage High School, receiving $500,000 from HRSA and $300,000 from UNM Hospital. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Department toured the Sandoval Regional Medical Center construction site and will be featured in a number of publications.

Mary Clark, President, UNM Staff Council, presented an update with three major issues of concern: 1) compensation; 2) increasing costs of benefits; and 3) lasting effects of the “pause and hold” strategy. Although cost savings are considerable, so also is the stress on staff. Staff morale at an all-time low.
Staff Council proposed working with the HSC Board of Directors to begin identifying solutions rather than continuing to highlight the problems.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Action Items**

**Approval of HSC Master Facility Plan**

Pug Burge presented background on the planning process that began more than three years ago with the formation of three subcommittees (education, research, and administration) that studied how the HSC would be delivering its education mission in 10 years, how would research be performed in 10 years, how would we support our programs through the administrative structure. Four common themes were derived: 1) create flexible/adaptable space; 2) life enhancing spaces; 3) integrate technology throughout campus; and 4) improve access to campus and parking. Steve McKernan presented slides (same presentation at HSC BoD July meeting) that reflected an overview of HSC Master Plan and requested that HSC Board of Directors endorse the presented segment to the UNM Board of Regents for approval at their September meeting. He highlighted transportation, greenbelt-connector, city’s concerns (i.e., traffic flow, development along Lomas, public transportation routes, bike routes); he discussed 20-year build-out plans (i.e., 850-bed teaching hospital; transportation links from HSC campus to Main campus). Note: need correction by removing the word “Psychiatric” from “New Adult Hospital” on the presented map. Discussion/questions included topics such as further land acquisition needs, commercial development opportunities, housing, hotel, highest and best use of land (frontage on Lomas). Dr. Roth noted that the HSC Master Facility Plan segment is consistent with agreements made with Main Campus and is consistent with the UNM Master Facility Plan that will be presented to the Board of Regents and Lobo Development. Further discussion on the Plan as it relates to plans for Sandoval County Regional Medical Center on issues such as hospital capacity, demographic support. Verification that the HSC Master Facility Plan, as well as the entire University Master Facility Plan, was not prepared “in a vacuum,” that the needs of Sandoval County were taken into consideration, and that the University is not over-building but possibly under-building as it meets the needs of the community. Further discussion regarding HUD Secretary’s visit to SRMC and HUD’s involvement in and support of the Master Facility planning process, expected completion date for current planned build-out of clinical space, funding, plans for utilities, respect for cemetery as well as surrounding neighborhoods, and with a final emphasis that this plan is part of the larger, all encompassing UNM Master Facility Plan.

Motion was made to approve the HSC Master Facility Plan; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.
Approval of UNMH Contract with the New Mexico Department of Public Health

Steve McKernan presented the need to contract with the New Mexico Department of Public Health to provide insurance assistance subsidies and medication co-payment reimbursement to clients infected with HIV/AIDS and enrolled in the DOH Insurance Assistance Program.

Motion was made to approve the UNMH Contract with New Mexico Department of Public Health; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Recommendations for Items to Consent Agenda of the UNM Board of Regents:

Chair Abeita recommended that the following two items be forwarded to the UNM Board of Regents’ Consent Agenda and the Board of Regents’ Finance & Facilities Committee agenda:

- Approval of HSC Master Facility Plan
- Approval of UNMH Contract with the New Mexico Department of Public Health

Motion was made to approve the recommendation that the Approval of HSC Master Facility Plan and Approval of UNMH Contract with the New Mexico Department of Public Health be sent to UNM Board of Regents’ Consent Agenda and the Board of Regents’ Finance & Facilities Committee agenda; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Information Items:

Ava Lovell handed out and presented on the Executive Summary, UNM HSC Clinical and Academic Operations Consolidated Income Statement, FY2011, 12 months ending 6/30/2011 and Consolidated Income Statements (Preliminary and Unaudited) 2011 Fiscal year-to-Date Summary through June 30, 2011. All FY12 Reports will have entire Health System reflected within and at next month’s Board meeting she will present a report of committed funds. Discussion on whether or not there is a “benchmark” or “standard” on amount of reserves versus total budget, and clarification of definition of “reserves,” “balances,” and “days of cash.” Lovell noted she would bring more information for FY11.

Ms. Lovell also presented on the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) Audit Report who evaluated the Health Sciences Center. The HSC agreed with all LFC recommendations and a high level general response was given to the LFC last week in Red River but diverged on some of the analyses and conclusions stated in the LFC report. The meeting went well. She reported that the team from the HSC was well received and there were discussions on the HSC being accountable for the monies that are appropriated. The HSC diverged on LFC’s negative analysis of the BA/MD Degree Program, College of Nursing’s efforts, Strategic Planning, and the Sandoval Regional Medical Center project and these were defended. Discussion on legislator support, noted to be strong.
Dr. Arthur Kaufman, Vice Chancellor for Community Health and Francisco Ronquillo, Central New Mexico HERO Coordinator, gave an update on the history, financing, and new developments of the UNM Health Extension Rural Offices (HEROs); distributed related documents. The program is capacity development rather than a separate program, working with all HSC programs in all missions. Nationally recognized program, recently notified that it will be funded $1 million. Mr. Ronquillo added information on the program’s infrastructure, human resources, and program missions. Discussion of program’s impact, value to reach out to rural communities, capacity for growth (i.e., asthma-related health issues), types of education/qualities that are looked for when hiring coordinators into the HERO program, program specific outcome measures and tracking, and higher education encouragement in the Taos and Farmington areas.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Motion was made to close the Open Session and enter into Executive Session; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Executive Session commenced.

Motion was made to close the Executive Session and reconvene in Open Session with confirmation that only matters as listed on the Agenda, Item X were discussed during Executive Session; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting; second; with a vote of 6-0-0 in favor. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

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Minutes were prepared by Patrice Martin on August 29, 2011.

Approval of Minutes:

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Carolyn Abeita, Chair                  Date