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DATE: July 11, 2014
TO: All Faculty and Staff
FROM: Garrey Carruthers, President 
SUBJECT: Administrative Reorganization

Today, I am announcing a series of changes to the administrative reporting structure at New Mexico State University. These are positive changes and are meant to both help the university become more efficient and to help us maximize the potential of our people and our resources.

Janet Green has already been named to the position of special advisor to the NMSU Board of Regents. She had previously served as director of NMSU's School of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management since 2002. A national search is already under way to fill her previous position. In her new role, she will serve as a liaison for the Regents and provide full-time support for the board's various important activities.

Effective Aug. 1, Ben Woods will become special advisor to the president and will be charged with leading NMSU's effort to establish the Aggie Development Corporation. He has worked at NMSU for many years. Under his leadership, the Aggie Development Corporation will allow NMSU to do a better job in developing our land and water assets, which we believe can be turned into a revenue stream for the university.

Also effective Aug. 1, Sharon Jones will become NMSU's new chief of staff. I have worked with her for many years in public office, in the private sector and at this university. She's the best boss I have ever had and those of you who know her will agree that she is the perfect person for this position.

NMSU's Government Affairs Office, the NMSU Police Department and NMSU's University Communications will now report directly to me. As President, I'm already deeply engaged in our efforts in government relations, so this move makes a lot of sense. Additionally, as campus security becomes an increasing priority across the country, there is a trend among universities to have police departments report directly to university presidents. Having University Communications report directly to me will give us an opportunity to better focus our efforts in marketing, as well as internal and external communications.

Thank you for everything you do to support our great institution and to ensure that New Mexico State University remains a caring community, transforming lives through discovery.