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	<p>the group of how the school still remains significantly below FY09 appropriations for a consistent student load. She also reminded the group that the formula, as it currently stands, was rushed into use with foreknowledge of significant need for further work that HED has not attempted to address in the past 24 months it has been in use.</p> <p>In this environment the institutions are bringing forward a different funding formula that appears to be gaining legislative and staff interest</p> <p>In response to a question from Bernadette Montoya, the President briefed the group on the discussion at the recent BoR meeting regarding lottery solvency. President Frank of UNM indicated they plan to propose increasing the GPA requirement to 2.75, limiting the scholarship to 7 semesters and requiring 15 SCH per semester as a means to address solvency. However no one has yet run numbers on the proposed solutions to understand the impact of such proposals. This approach is different than the one proposed by ASNMSU and supported by the NMSU administration.</p>			
<p><b>II. Comments from the Provost / EVP</b></p>	<p>Provost Howard informed the group on the proposal coming from the Research Task Force to implement "Shared Service Centers ". The first effort is to be undertaken by ACES, with A&amp;S and Engineering to follow. Engineering's center would also serve the remaining colleges. The center will provide researchers with a one stop center for all their support needs. Appropriate authority will be granted so that these centers can</p>			

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	<p>act to resolve problems and approve actions needed. Goal is to have ACES running by end of summer and Eng. and A&amp;S up within 12 months. One issue is how best to lay these in on top of the existing research centers.</p> <p>The Provost continues to work on efforts to incentivize distance delivery.</p> <p>He further mentioned his participation in the Education Task Force, a state wide initiative aimed at improving the effectiveness of teachers in NM public schools. He commended Dean Morehead for his leadership in undertaking reform efforts.</p>			
<p><b>III. Follow Up Items from September Meeting</b></p>	<p>The following items are updates to the follow up list</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Graduate School report has been received by the Provost for his review and consideration.</li> <li>- Vimal briefed the group on the one proposal for federal relations support. The quote is less than prior years but still greater than available funds. Action needed.</li> <li>- Much discussion regarding the proposal to review possibility of differential tuition rates. Preferred approach now appears to be to linearize the rates. This is an approach the Provost saw used effectively in his prior position. Angela T is to meet with Judy Bosland and review the impact based on historical numbers.</li> </ul>	<p><i>Howard / Chaitanya / Throneberry</i></p> <p><i>Throneberry</i></p>	<p>Meet and review the response to RFP. / Recommend solution</p> <p>Review the possible fiscal implications of a shift to linearizing tuition rates. Review impact system wide</p>	<p>Prior to next PAC</p> <p>Prior to next PAC</p>

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<b>IV. Capital Process Review</b>	<p>Glen Haubold handed out two documents that help explain the process by which the university attempts to prioritize all capital outlay requests. The first was a flow sheet that described the process. The second was a timeline. He informed the group that now was the time for colleges and other units to act to submit needs for consideration for the list to be ultimately submitted to the Regents in May 2014.</p>			
<b>V. Budget / Policy Issues for the 2014 Legislative Session</b>	<p>Ricardo Rel briefed the group on the list of potential issues that will come forward during the upcoming legislative session. They include the funding formula, research funding, compensation, ERB solvency measures, Capital Outlay, Non I&amp;G requests, endowment measures, lottery solvency, water related legislation, and others.</p> <p>Comments received voiced concern regarding the HED process for submission and evaluation of Non I&amp;G requests</p>			
<b>VI. Proposed Teaching Model Pilot Project</b>	<p>Cathy Brook reported on some recent meetings between LCPS and Deans from both UNM and NMSU to discuss a potential joint effort aimed at creating skills that are needed to turn around performance at public schools. This is similar to an approach that has been successfully implemented by the University of Virginia. This initiative is being led by Stan Rounds, Superintendent of LCPS.</p>			
<b>VII. Fall 2014 Commencement / Investiture Plans</b>	<p>The President discussed plans for the investiture. These ceremonies will take place as part of the 2013 Fall commencement. He has asked Judge Harris Hartz, a personal friend who is on the US Court of Appeals, to conduct the brief</p>	<p><i>Jolie Tixier / Sharon Jones</i></p>	<p>HDR plans for Fall 2013</p>	<p>Prior to commencement</p>

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	<p>ceremony. Following commencement there will be a reception in the practice court with other opportunities for speeches.</p> <p>He also discussed the selection for the honorary doctoral degree. The final selection will be made by the BoR. We hope to have the selected honoree provide a brief comment at commencement. Jolie will handle arrangements that will include a dinner the prior evening.</p>			
<p><b>VIII. K-12 Outreach Initiatives</b></p>	<p>Mike Morehead presented a bound study he recently completed that documents the extent to which colleges and units within NMSU interact with school age children. The report is truly impressive in documenting the number of programs and kids impacted. He first did such a report in the 94-95 time frame. This one was completed over the past 6 to 7 months. . Some salient facts are that we annually touch over 100,000 young kids and between 10,000 and 15,000 teachers.</p>	<p><i>Sharon Jones</i></p>	<p>Ask Justin B. to contact Mike Morehead to gather facts for a press release.</p>	<p>This week</p>
<p><b>IX. Star Metric Presentation</b></p>	<p>Vimal presented a new federal program that if implemented enables the generation of a report that links research activities to the economic benefit of the funding to the region and state. The program is voluntary, does not cost anything to use, merely the collection and submission of 15 data elements that are then used to generate the reports. Vimal showed examples of what can be learned, especially when other research institutions across the state participate. He indicated that UNM has stated their plan to participate. There are two levels of engagement. Level 1 appears to be ripe for our undertaking. Angela suggested that Banner may already contain the data needed and it would merely be an effort to create the appropriate reports. President indicated his strong support and directed that</p>	<p><i>Vimal Chaitanya</i></p>	<p>Call for a meeting with Angela, Judy Bosland, SPA, HR and ICT reporting to discern the effort needed to generate the required data elements.</p>	<p>Prior to next PAC</p>

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	we proceed to implement.			
<b>X. Report on Research Submittals</b>	<p>Vimal presented a series of graphs that recounted several data elements concerning the institutions research undertakings. The good news is that NMSU faculty increased their submission of proposals by 50% in the past year. This is extraordinary as many peer institutions actually saw their submissions decrease in the same time frame. A review of awards however demonstrated that the ability to land a federal award remains less than in the past. The data set was reviewed with awareness that ARRA funding between 09-10 impacted the "curve". Federal contracts and grants represent 79% of our research portfolio, down from a high of 84%. Vimal reviewed the federal agencies that formed the bulwark of funding and those remain DOD and NASA for large contracts thru PSL. Bottom line, our faculty are working hard in a highly competitive environment that suffers from reduced federal capacity for grants and contracts.</p> <p>This presentation led to a broad ranging conversation regarding how best to build research capacity in the university. Topics discussed included competitive salaries, use of release time to support new faculty, the need for high production from senior tenured faculty etc... It was noted that 400 of our 535 faculty submitted proposals last year. (80%)</p>	<i>Dan Howard</i>	Gather further input from Deans and VPR to structure the appropriate metrics to drive the research enterprise	Ongoing
<b>XI. Program Opportunities at the Albuquerque Center</b>	The President opened the discussion by relaying his recent meeting in Albuquerque with staff and their request to evaluate the program offerings at the Albuquerque center. We have	<i>Dan Howard / Bernadette Montoya</i>	Seek opportunities for delivery of	Prior to next PAC

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	<p>several strong programs emerging. The masters in Social Work has long been the mainstay. In addition Engineering Technology is in good stride with their release and start of their degree completion program.</p> <p>This conversation led to a broader discussion regarding the role of online programs. In general, the development of a complete program delivered their distance means as opposed to individual classes. It is believed that pockets of opportunity await the program s that can be delivered in this fashion.</p> <p>President Carruthers is concerned with the expansion of on line programs being delivered by for- profit schools to NM residents and the high cost associated with each. He believes we have a mission to deliver our higher quality programs at the tuition rates currently in effect and that this is a direct benefit to our residents. We simply need to adjust to deliver thru the new methods to the fullest extent possible.</p>		<p>specific programs to the Albuquerque market not available thru other institutions such as surveying, industrial technology</p>	
<p><b>XII. IDC Being Used to Pay for ICT Technology Cos</b></p>	<p>Mike Morehead asked that the university pick up 50% of the cost of ICT associated with IDC charges. Angela reminded the group of the study that was done within the past 2 years and the need it revealed to fundamentally alter the manner in which ICT charged for phone and network connectivity on campus. Angela further reminded the group of the decrease in available IDC funds and budget management decisions recently made to decrease expenses associated with this fund source. There is no way she can take on additional expense of this magnitude from this source.</p>	<p><i>Angela Throneberry / Norma Grijalva</i></p>	<p>Asking that the ICT study group be reconvened to explore the impacts of change in chage mechanism enacted recently.</p>	<p>Prior to spring semester</p>

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<b>XIII. Off Cycle Budget Requests</b>	Angela informed the group to expect a memo to appear shortly that expands the process by which off cycle budget requests will be handled. She explained the challenge that exists and why this approach has been selected. She wanted to inform the group so that they will be looking for the written guidance when it reaches their desk.			
<b>XIV. LCDSF Rotunda Opportunities</b>	Ben briefed the group on the opportunity to take part in the Las cruces day in Santa fe activities and to showcase NMSU as part of the days rotunda displays. He will send an email forward with instructions for how best to arrange to participate.	<i>Ben Woods</i>	Send email with instructions.	ASAP
<b>XV. Next Meeting</b>	Monday – November 4, 2013 @ 0800 Room 202 HSS Annex			