

University Administrative Council Minutes
Tuesday, September 10, 2013 @ 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Corbett Center, Colfax Room 210

Tilahun Adera, Kevin Boberg, Judy Bosland, McKinley Boston, Kathy Brook, Andy Burke, Tina Byford, Tammie Aragon Campos, Garrey Carruthers, Felicia Casados, Lowell Catlett, Vimal Chaitanya, Dennis Clason, Roberta Derlin, Monica Dunivan, Greg Fant, Lori Gobble, John Gratton, Norma Grijalva, Glen Haubold, Steve Hottman, Maureen Howard, Ricardo Jacquez, Michael Jasek, Cheri Jimeno, Sharon Jones, Ross Justus, Bruce Kite, Linda Lacey, David Maestas, Cornell Menking, Bernadette Montoya, Michael Morehead, Romina Pacheco, Andrew Pena, Ricardo Rel, Christa Slaton, D'Anne Stuart, Angela Throneberry, Elizabeth Titus, Jeff Witte, and Ben Woods. (Substitutes are welcome when members cannot attend.)

I. Call to Order – Garrey Carruthers, PhD President

II. Approval of Aug 13, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Dean Titus, second by Dean Morehead to approve the minutes as presented. Passed with no objections.

III. Old Business

a. Turbine Maintenance – Glen Haubold

After working with the Provost, Glen announced a date change to March 24 to April 19 for the planned maintenance of the cogen turbine. Provost asked that anyone with further concerns contact Glen after meeting.

In response to questions Glen stated that our gas turbine produces about 40 percent of power we use on campus. He also mentioned that Facilities is still working thru what buildings are connected to turbine

IV. New Business

a. Revision to 2.95 Parking and Traffic Regulations – Ophelia Watkins

Ophelia presented the proposed changes to the group noting that they consist primarily of minor formatting and color designation changes. They also add a parking category for low emission vehicles and improved the definition for what types of vehicles are LEV's. In addition there is a verbiage change for official definition of governmental license plates. This is a first read and we will seek approval at the October UAC for submission to the regents at their October meeting.

b. Naming Opportunity in Honor of El Paso Electric – Classroom 104 within the Pete V. Domenici Hall

VP Tina Byford requested that this action be tabled. The item came forward late and the attempt to secure on line support from the Naming Committee was not completed in time for this meeting. Tina stated that there are no further

pending naming opportunities

V. University-wide Information/Announcements

a. Construction Report – Glen Haubold

This report was sent out yesterday by e-mail. Provost Howard asked about the BRR process. Glen stated that there will be a call next month for BRR requests. Those are compiled and recommendations are then presented to the University Budget Committee for input. There is approximately \$5.3 Million in BRR available to NMSU LC. The requests are evaluated against an established category of proposed investments. The current listing of approved and funded projects is available on the Admin and Finance / Budget web site. President Carruthers commented on the importance of investing in our current facilities to keep them in good shape.

b. Update on Security, E-Locks/Card Readers - Glen Haubold/Norma Grijalva

Norma stated that there were questions and discussion regarding physical asset security at the last UAC meeting. She and Glen wanted to update the group on actions underway in this area. ICT and University Police partnered to establish a central camera recording service. This is important because, by law, captured images must be archived for 30 days. \$98 per year per camera puts you on the system. She reminded the group that manning prevents active monitoring. ICT handles the server side and works with OFS to do installation. In response to questions it was stated that the \$98 fee does not include the cost of camera or installation. It was suggested that typical installations that require running both power and network feeds typically run around \$1000 one time installation. Both added that there is an overall plan for security anticipated coming forward somewhere down the road.

In response to a question Norma stated that the owning department has viewing authority – web based system so you can bring it up

At this point several members began to describe their recent thefts and break-ins. Problems in Engineering took place on weekends in the early morning. Our past use of the camera system has been primarily for forensics as opposed to active monitoring. President Carruthers suggested there are critical areas for placement on cameras – today it is based upon what departments feel are critical. Past break-ins included Foster Hall, NMDA and Engineering. College of Engineering sees students blocking doors open on weekends and has not yet hit on right solution and asked for any guidance. Glen stated that it would require a comprehensive approach. Card readers on doors help. Foster can be used as an example. Only one door takes a card reader however if you prop the door open there is no alarm. It was also noted if you generate an alarm then somebody has to respond to it. Glen is looking to card readers on major entry to each building. A question was raised regarding the network demand such a system would impose. Norma stated that the recent upgrade to the campus backbone increased capacity from 1 to 10 gigs. Thus there is no anticipated

problem from moving in this direction.

c. Upcoming University Events – Ben Woods

Mentioned the calendar of upcoming events handed out to each. Made note of the upcoming game against UTEP. President Carruthers mentioned Aggie Walk which is a new tradition for football that began with game against Minnesota. He also commented on how improved play was this year. He is seeing a positive atmosphere. President likes what he sees in the coach and the athletes.

President Carruthers mentioned Aggie Pride Fridays. He would like for everybody to wear aggie gear. He is out advancing it in community and campus He wanted each of us to understand his perspective on this. Alumni groups he has visited with exhibit such an intense pride in NMSU. He wants the pride to show earlier in life. When asked how does your education stack up alumni state to the person that it is as good or better. We have reason to have a great deal of pride. There is one disclaimer – October is pink month so get your pink aggie shirt and wear it.

VI. Updates

- a. President - President Carruthers updated the group on the forthcoming Domenici conference. He went over the list of outstanding presenters – our own Lowell Catlett will lead off and from there it falls off a bit as we start to hear from leading national and global experts and speakers on topics ranging from healthcare to international security to new means to extract natural resources. Former Senators, Cabinet members and Generals and such.... This is truly a world class event and we each need to encourage folks to come out to the conference. Our goal is 1000 attendees and \$175K has been raised in contributions. It's free for students. They merely need to register session by session. One feature of the conference is that only students can ask questions of the speaker.

The President then raised issues on which he was seeking counsel from the group.

The first dealt with student body attendance at athletic events.

One idea that has surfaced involves the creation of incentives to encourage students to attend a football game. At 4th quarter a name is drawn and student got free tuition next semester or some similar level of award. This idea has now evolved into a draw against the banner listing of all students for \$1000 with a smaller incentive for students that went into gate. The large incentive would roll for each game. The question is "Will students react as we hope and come out?" – David Maestas says he thinks it's a great idea – The President asked student government to push - Other idea was parking stickers (black). Kudos to OFS for development of such an improved tailgate area for students

David to work with Athletics – come up with cool name!

The President next discussed the possibility of seeking alcohol license for PAC and HRTM. He asked the group for their comment. Lowell Catlett says yes. President mentioned that part of proceeds would go to WAVE. There is some thought about teaming with the NM microbrewery association. Thought being to feature both NM beer and NM wine – can't be exclusive due to programs that are brought in – Mike Morehead recommended that we provide advertising on responsible drinking. We obligated to make educational materials available. We would place restriction that we would only sell beer and wine in those two facilities.

Three tier funding formula mentioned – it was needed and has been invented at NMSU – formula pays for outcomes – different one for 2 year schools – emphasizes their efforts – meeting CUP tomorrow – talking to DFA and LFC Thursday – somewhat revolutionary if we are able to pull it off

- b. Executive VP / Provost Dan Howard – Recently \$800K in continuing funding was set aside for scholarships, advising and tutoring. \$400K has now been distributed to scholarships. \$200K was distributed last week for advising. They are now working on tutoring. The Provost requested a proposal from Bernadette to distribute last \$200K and will get with appropriate folks to make that decision.

He next mentioned a recent study on cost of producing degrees. Natalie Kellner computed the cost of degrees at all HEI's in state – good news is that NMSU is a great investment if goal is to generate 4 year and graduate degrees. Our 2 years are among the most cost efficient in producing degrees – great story to tell

He next discussed a meeting held yesterday in Socorro where leaders gathered to discuss initiatives to improve teaching in NM in K-12. It gave us the chance to talk about the initiatives already underway in College of Education which was well received

President Carruthers added that NMSU should be a leader – seize the opportunity to take the lead and tell folks how it should be done –

The Provost asked VP Montoya to update the group on the status of ongoing discussions surrounding the future of the Lottery Scholarship. She mentioned the strong NMSU student contingent and their proposal that if enacted would incent completion and address solvency. It further supports all sectors by establishing a percentage amount to be paid for each semester that grows in percentage as you persevere – students and legislators meeting later this month – last meeting of work group is October 11

- c. Faculty Senate – Dr Clason reported the senate held first meeting – legislation before senate is a proposition for a degree name change in HSS - Community Health to Public Health –

Scholastic affairs committee is working on catalog language regarding c or better which will be a dynamic debate

Several memorials from senate on lottery are being considered – asking VP Montoya to attend committee meetings

Governmental Affairs is organized and meeting tomorrow

In closing Dr Clason noted that while he is gratified that we are a low cost producer of degrees he remains concerned that this is coming on backs of university employees – backs of faculty –

President Carruthers reminded all of the university commitment to, over a 3 year period, move faculty to market band – just did \$1.6M. He has told our regents it is a priority to go forward with plan as committed and will continue along this path. The objective is to get all faculty within the market band – all committed to staying the course on this – real issue may be staff salaries – somehow have to figure this side as well -

- d. Employee Council– Monica Dunivan reminded the group of the open forum Oct 17 from 3 to 4:30 on athletics funding – encouraged all to attend She also reminded the group that the annual Employee Appreciation picnic – is scheduled for Oct 18
- e. ASNMSU - tailgate lot fence needs to be cut in half to allow better access. They are working with OFS to achieve. President Maestas mentioned the student effort on the lottery scholarship –something will happen this year. Crimson coach service has begun and provides a safe means of transportation – He also raised the issue of tuition waivers for graduate assistants – put out there –

President Carruthers praised our great student government – Do Domenici and register

- f. Graduate Student Council– meeting today – fall social will be held Oct 4th at GCCH

VII. Other Business

Community College Round up is scheduled for the 20/21st

Institutional Research presented our monthly Data Snippets

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 8:30 a.m.**, Corbett Center, Colfax Room #210