

UEC Minutes
January 13, 2014

Time: 0800

Place: Hadley Hall

Room: 130

DISCUSSION ITEM	OUTCOME	RESPONSIBLE PERSON/ DEPARTMENT	FOLLOW UP ACTION	EXPECTED DATE
I. Call to Order and Opening Comments				
II. NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink – Future Role of NMSU	<p>Julie Weber spoke about TETWP campaign. The local campaign has historically been led by external efforts. Those individuals that lead this effort in the past desire to hand off to the university. The pros and cons were discussed.</p> <p>Genesis was to use a football game to raise awareness and funding for breast cancer research. Sustainment of the effort requires a new approach. Infrastructure for events on campus is the area that we can assist. Discussion of the town gown activities that take place in the course of the week's events.</p> <p>Can the university take over the management of the activities that take place on campus? If we do decide to take on elements it will be a transition for a few years. McKinley Boston noted that the roots of the TETWP happening across the nation are here in Las Cruces.</p> <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Impact on homecoming - Where is the on campus home - What is the leadership structure of the TETWP committee 	<i>Julie Weber</i>	Develop a brief but measureable plan of how ATETWP would work in the university environment	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is the project tired? Does it need a shot in the arm? - Can we do a better job of engaging students and their rallying around it <p>Sense that this is the time to bring a new perspective. University taking a position in support of a “cause” raises the specter of other great causes looking to NMSU. If we support it then we need to state specifically why we support this. Sharon noted a need to narrow focus and manage on campus. Sense of support around the table but uncertainty of the approach. President looks to Julie to develop a brief but measurable plan on how this would work in the university environment. What does it mean to us at the university? Sense is that the University would co-chair with the community. Assume a greater role as co chairs but must not lose the community involvement.</p>			
<p>III. Follow Up Items from 12.09.13</p>	<p>Search for VPUA on with announcement pending for on campus interviews. 3 pronged approach to bridging athletics into new student activities being pushed Lottery becoming a bit clearer. Discussion of the credit hours required for graduation. Normal load is 16 to 18 credits per semester. Has been stated for years but not practiced. Succession policy statement went to BoR PA Board working on a plan BM working on Discovery Mini- mester. Animal facility to be located in Ag and will remove from list</p>	<p><i>Ben Woods</i></p>	<p>Get date for HVS study completion</p>	

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	<p>more user friendly format. How are customers manipulating thru the system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Both technical and management issues are present. - Positive comments on benefits of suggestion boxes. - Student evaluation of web site annually. <p><u>Student Advising –</u></p> <p>Will look to Provost to lead this effort. Provost Howard reported that he thinks that advising is a key link to student retention. This year took all advising feedback and divvied up by college. Significant complaints with every college with exception of ACES. ACES faculty are evaluated based upon their advising. Sharing best practices with regard to what's going on in the various colleges. Making headway with funds allocated. Established a cross campus advisor to assist students who could not get into see their advisor.</p> <p>NMSU System Structure</p> <p><u>NMSU System Organization</u></p> <p>How would you want to reorganize the system? Accreditations still a challenge. Relationship with community colleges still is an issue. Are there things we can do to make us more efficient and more responsive? The finance side is more centralized than other aspects of the institution. Our community colleges are asking for improved pipe lines. President pressing on articulation to</p>			

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	<p>get the two faculty together. How do we help our CC students to think of themselves as Aggies?</p> <p><u>Other Potential Organizational Changes to Consider</u></p> <p>President mentioned what has already been accomplished with regards to reporting lines for community colleges, VPR and VPED.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ross raised the question of compliance structure. Are we going to bring this all together? There is a planned audit to look at the university compliance structure. Assignment of oversight responsibility needs to be assigned. Many universities have a central person to oversee compliance across the university. - Kevin raised the issue of ECHS and management? Bernadette mentions the management of the ECHS students and lack of structure at NMSU to properly address. BM to bring back how it might look - Asset management recommendation from consulting report. Land and water resources need management. Need to hire someone to consider development across the interstate. Asked Ben to write a job announcement for position description and or outsource it. Hotel project moving down the path. Somehow capture the asset management aspect of the institution. - <p><u>NMSU efficiency metrics –</u></p> <p>Manning levels mentioned. Are there studies that reflect</p>			

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	<p>how an efficiently managed university would be staffed? Angela will work with Judy Bosland to develop benchmark data metrics. Will also go to RMBO for metrics.</p> <p><u>Internal marketing efforts –</u></p> <p>President commented on the need to market yourself internally before you try to do it externally – surprised by how many great things are happening at the university. Activity reports are one way. He spoke to the Ag Econ effect. “ We had a habit of bragging on one another.” The willingness to say good things about someone else.</p> <p>Ideas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feel Good gallery; - Intranet; - Benefits in general must be looked at. Retiree benefits need further discussion. <p><u>Comprehensive Campaign</u></p> <p>We will look to begin the next comprehensive campaign in the coming year</p>			
<p>v. WAC Basketball Tournament</p>	<p>Dr Boston mentioned the upcoming meeting to plan the activities surrounding this event. Met with student fee to ask for funding for pep band and cheerleaders. We have sold over 150 seats already. Had 300 attendees last year. Four tournaments in Vegas. PAC 12, Mountain West, Pacific Coast and WAC. Governor has attended in past.</p> <p>Report on offensive language by students from WAC</p>			

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	Conference. President will not put up with offensive language.			
VI. Request to sponsor Miss NMSU	Would we want to have a pageant? Discussions lead to hesitation on our part and decision was made not to take on this activity at this time.			
VII. Upcoming Events	Reviewed upcoming events			
Next Meeting : January 27, 2014				