

**NORTHERN NEW MEXICO COLLEGE
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
JANUARY 11, 2019**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents of Northern New Mexico College was held on Friday, January 11, 2019, in the Board Room of Northern New Mexico College, Espanola Campus. Regents Present (Roll Call was taken): Kevin F. Powers, D. Chris Ortega, Pamela Montrose. Board President Powers stated there is a quorum of the Board of Regents. Regent Damian L. Martinez and Regent Joshua Martinez were not in attendance. Board President Powers called the meeting to order at 8:37AM. **Note: Regent Joshua Martinez joined the Board of Regents Meeting at 8:41AM.**

Northern New Mexico College Staff Present: President Richard J. Bailey, Jr., Ph.D.; Ricky Bejarano, Vice President for Finance & Administration; Ivan Lopez Hurtado, Ph.D., Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs; Vince Lithgow, Comptroller, Chris Trujillo, IT; Sandy Krolick, Creative Director Communications and Marketing; Donna Castro, Director, Human Resources; Chris Trujillo, IT; Jimi Montoya, Director, IT; Evette Abeyta, Budget Analyst; Sally Martinez, Executive Assistant to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; Jeannie Kovacs, NNMC Foundation Director; Cheryl James, Compliance Officer, Chief Procurement Officer; Ryan Cordova, Men's Basketball Coach, Athletic Director; and Amy Pena, Executive Assistant to the President/Board Secretary.

Others Present: Jake Arnold; and Rio Grande Sun Reporter

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board President Powers asked if there were any requests, additions, deletions, etc. to the Agenda, and if not, he would entertain a motion to approve the Agenda as posted.

Regent Ortega moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Second - Regent Montrose. Motion passed unanimously.

III. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

A. HERC UPDATE

Board President Powers stated there is not an update for HER this month.

B. Open Meetings Resolution

Regent Powers stated the Open Meetings act requires public bodies once a year approve an Open Meetings Resolution to basically set forth the parameters under which the Board of Regents Meetings are held. The Resolution before the Board of Regents is in a marked version to see the changes that have been made. These changes were made at the suggestion of counsel to basically modernize the resolution and to comply with more recent guidance on complying with State Law in terms of holding meetings. Regent Powers stated he would like action on the Resolution and then the Board of Regents can discuss the Resolution.

Regent Ortega moved to approve the 2019 Open Meetings Act Notice Resolution as presented with modifications. Second – Regent Montrose. Motion passed unanimously.

Board President Powers has asked that the record reflect Regent Joshua Martinez joined the meeting at 8:41AM. Regent Powers explained to Regent Martinez that the Resolution changes were made by counsel relating to the State Open Meetings Act.

Regent Ortega stated this made things better than they were and it is well done. Board President Powers stated over time technology is helping the Board of Regents comply with this and activities have to be tailored over the new technology. Geno Zamora with Ortiz & Zamora worked on this for the Board of Regents. As there is no other comments or questions, Board President Powers stated he would call for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. EEO Training
- D. Sexual Harassment Training

Board President Powers stated the Board of Regents discussed having this training at this meeting. However, it seemed like at a time when the Board of Regents is in a state of flux and they are not sure who is going to be on the Board of Regents going forward, it will be discussed today and put on the Agenda for the March 22, 2019 Board of Regents Meeting. Board President Powers stated this should tentatively be put on the Agenda for March 22, 2019. Regent Ortega asked if this would be training. Regent Montrose asked if someone would be brought in to train the Board of Regents. Board President Powers stated a professional will be brought in and the College's Human Resources Department would be brought in as well.

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Board President Powers asked if there were any comment on the minutes and entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2018 Regular Meeting as submitted. Regent Montrose stated under Item II it says "three" and should be "there." Board President entertained a motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Regent Montrose moved to approve the minutes as amended. Second – Regent Ortega. Motion passed unanimously.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Celebrate Northern
- B. CUP/NMICC Report
- C. Legislative Session Preview

President Bailey stated he would like to combine these three items together and would like to focus on the legislature.

1. Rio Grande Sun – Two articles came out in the Rio Grande Sun. One that highlights the initiative to bring back key trade programs and the other on the Foundation Executive Director, Jeanie Kovacs.

2. Budget from the Governor – the Governor sent out her recommendation for the budget yesterday.
3. Budget - President Bailey stated the Executive and the Legislature will come up with different recommendations. The key pieces for the College in the Governor's recommendation is the College's budget compared to last year's budget would be almost identical. The is about a \$30,000 increase over last year's budget. This is just general fund. There is also a stipulation and recommendation for state employees that would be a minimum of 2%. For those at the lowest end of the pay-scale that would be 4%. The College hopes this is fully funded, the College thinks it might be, if that happens then that is over and above the \$30,000, it is a different pot of money. The College is hopeful for that. LFC has not given a formal recommendation yet. The College has heard early indications it may be similar to what the Executive is doing.
4. Capital Outlay - There are also some pushes on Capital Outlay. One of the things the College is trying to do as everyone knows is the dual campus energy audit with Ameresco for how the College can refurbish some of the structures and embrace more green technology. On the fiscal side it means the College can drive down the utility costs moving forward. There are some requests the College has made on both campuses for some green energy technology solutions that really will make a difference on both campuses and it is a big request. The College is asking for \$4.1M for both campuses but it will completely revitalize heating, ventilation and air conditioning. In El Rito it opens a lot of doors for the College to reopen and reintroduce programs.
5. Branch Community College Statute - President Bailey stated he has received two questions more than any other since he has been with the College. What are you doing to revitalize the El Rito Campus? What are you doing to reintroduce the trade program? This bill would allow the College to answer both questions. What it does is amends the Branch Community College Statute and creates a new entity called a co-located branch community college. The College would be the only one like it in the State. The College knows right now there is no appetite at the State for the College to create a new campus, there is no appetite to create a separate line item in the State budget or to create a new President. What this entity would do is allow the College to petition the local voters for Mill Levy Funding to reintroduce some key trade programs tied to three public school districts, Espanola, Pojoaque and Mesa Vista and if that passes then the College reintroduces some of those key programs. Those programs would be located, primarily, on the El Rito Campus because that is where there is the space to do this. When President Bailey briefed this to the Espanola City Council, there was unanimous support. President Bailey has had no one who has opposed this. Really, all the legislation will do is to allow the College to ask the voters and to ask the community whether or not this is something they are willing to invest. This is the question. There were some and are still some challenges statewide. There is a statewide perception that we already have too many access points, too many institutions. President Bailey stated his counter to this is the College is not creating another institution, the College is housing this within its own administrative structure. It simply allows the College to reintroduce some programs the community is asking for. Senator Martinez and Senator Cisneros are co-sponsoring the Bill which is wonderful. Those are two strong powerful legislators in the Senate. There are three pieces of legislation that are floating right now, none of them have been formally filed yet but they all affect the branch community college statute. One of them has to do with local election laws because the branch community colleges were not included in a Bill passed in a previous legislative session that talks about

taxing district. There is an over-hall that needs to be made that way. One has to do with a taxing district that a branch community college can access because right now they have no ability to change their districts, their supporting territories and then the last one is the College. Right now, Senator Ivy-Soto has a bill, a 427-page Bill, that is working, it is a very comprehensive bill looking at the local election act. The College had a long dialogue yesterday with Senator Martinez and Senator Ivy-Soto and Senator Ivy-Soto is thinking about taking our language and folding it into his comprehensive bill. All these are trying to adjust the same Statute. If this happens, it is a good sign for the College. President Bailey feels confident that the College is going to get approval on it. The College is waiting to hear from him but is appreciative that he is considering bringing this in. To Senator Martinez and Senator Cisneros credit, both of those gentlemen have said that if Senator Ivy-Soto folds that Bill in, they have agreed to co-sponsor that comprehensive Bill. If this passes it is a game changer for the College.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Vice President for Finance & Administration

1. Audit(s) Update

(Inaudible)

2. Fiscal Watch Reports

Board President Powers stated the Audit/Finance/Facilities Committee met and reviewed financial statements and had some questions and comments. Basically, it appears the College is on target and slightly better in revenue and slower in spend rate. Board President Powers asked for comments from the Board of Regents. Hearing none, Board President Powers asked for a motion to approve the Fiscal Watch Reports.

Regent Ortega moved to approve the Fiscal Watch Reports as presented – Second – Regent Montrose. Motion passed unanimously.

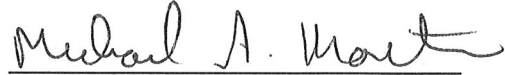
3. Monthly Budget Adjustment Requests (BARs)

Evette Abeyta, Budget Director explained how the BARs are prepared at the College. In the event there is a budget transfer from one item to another it is a maintenance BAR. Ms. Abeyta stated in the BAR log the final BAR is number 57 and that is where the College is at for all BARs. As the Board of Regents is familiar, in the past, the College has prepared a total number of 500 BARs going back for a fiscal year. Over the years, the College has reduced the number of BARs with aligning the budgets. The College is tracking the budgets better and expending out of areas where it should be expended and preparing the budgets is becoming easier for the College. She hopes not to exceed 100 BARs this year. There are three BARs in this packet, one restricted and two unrestricted. The unrestricted is a BAR for a student club and it is increasing the budget and giving them the budget authority to spend the prior year revenue. For clubs, they are allowed to roll over their fund balance. Regent Ortega asked Ms. Abeyta to explain the fund string. Ms. Abeyta

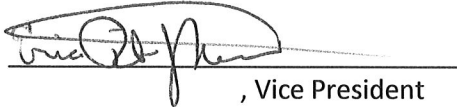
XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Regent Joshua Martinez moved to adjourn. Second – Regent Montrose. Motion passed unanimously. The Board of Regents adjourned at 10:12AM.

APPROVED:



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, Vice President