

**ENMU Faculty Senate**  
**Thursday, April 15, 2021**  
**3:30 to 5:00 pm**  
**ZOOM meeting**

1. Meeting called to order by Vice President Sweeten at 3:30pm
2. **Roll Call:**  
Present—Beinlich, Bramlett, Brust, Camarillo, Crockett, Duarte, Duni, Finley, Flores, Guerra, Petrone, Pollock, Senn, Shuler, Stanley, Stone, Sweeten, Tian, Tigue, Tollett, Wall, Wallace, Zhang, Representative Smith  
Absent—Lingnau (Bougie served as stand in), Shepardson (Rutland served as stand in)
3. **Approval of the Agenda:**  
Motion to Approve Agenda with an addition of a presentation by Director of Library Services, Laura White, after the Administrator’s Report made by Senn, seconded by Pollock  
Opposed—none  
Abstain—none  
Motion passed
4. **Approval of Minutes:**  
Motion to approve Minutes from 4/1/21 made by Senn, seconded by Wall  
Opposed—none  
Abstentions—Camarillo, Rutland  
Motion passed to approve Minutes from 4/1/21 Meeting
5. **Administrator’s Report:**  
President’s Report, Chancellor Patrice Caldwell—
  1. Campus reopening—Chancellor Caldwell shared that campus will be open for the F’21 semester and visitors will be welcome on campus. The University will continue to follow all government mandates.
  2. COVID Vaccine—At this time the COVID Vaccine is still considered experimental and cannot be required. The CDC is the only authority that could change the experimental label. Legal opinion in the state is that the state of New Mexico cannot mandate the vaccine. ENMU will continue to encourage, not require, the vaccine. La Casa has plans for a drive-through vaccine on April 29. They have asked to use the Greyhound Stadium for this.
  3. Further Updates—Chancellor Caldwell asked faculty to help in encouraging students to return to campus. There will be a campus picnic scheduled for students, faculty, staff, and their families on August 20. This event will be held on the quad.
  4. Questions—Senator Brust thanked Chancellor Caldwell for the opening of the racquetball courts.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Jamie Laurenz—

1. Faculty Contracts—The budget for next fiscal year will be presented at the April 23 Regents Meeting. After the approval of the budget, contracts will be sent. Contracts can then be digitally signed and returned.
2. Questions—In response to a question about if masks would be required as ENMU opens for the F’21 semester, VPAA Laurenz said this depends on what state guidelines will be at that point. If the state does not require masks, ENMU will not require masks to be worn. Laurenz also emphasized if someone is not feeling well, they should not come to campus. In regards to a follow-up question if instructors will have the ability to ask students in their classes to wear masks, Laurenz thought this

could create more frustration. For meetings with students in a faculty office, Laurenz said faculty should be allowed to set mitigation strategies, but enforcing classroom by classroom policies would not work effectively.

6. **Presentation from Director of GSSC, Laura White:**

1. Director White presented the Library's Collection and Development plan to Senators. The plan outlines the steps the library will take to add materials, criteria to determine if materials should no longer be available in the collection, approach to spending materials budget, documents located in government documents and archive materials, the gift policy, and textbook policy. White shared especially in terms of government documents and archive materials, too broad of criteria will lead to a collection that outgrows the physical space. White emphasized the collaborative nature of faculty and librarian communication. White asked for feedback and asked Senators to submit feedback via phone or email.
2. Questions—In response to a question about losing specific titles from the library, White said that faculty are able to respond to emails that contain items that are slated to be removed. As soon as the library hears from a faculty member with items to retain, the items are taken off of the removal list. An exception would be if faculty quickly asks to keep all materials without reviewing removal lists. White further shared that the library had previously kept all donations and shelved these materials. If an item has not been checked out in the last twenty years it is added to the removal list. White also stated that faculty could contact the library for updated material or journal requests. Faculty expressed concerns with students not being able access all class texts in the library. White shared that continual purchase of textbooks is not a sustainable model from year to year due to rapidly increasing costs and publications of new edition. If faculty has examination or department copies of texts, those can be put on reserve in the library for student use. There is no specific budget for the library to purchase texts for courses and these funds would need to come out of their regular purchasing budget.

7. **Faculty Senate Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report**—There is no change to the budget.

**Curriculum Committee**—No report

**Distance Learning Committee**—For those that are part of the Canvas pilot this semester, Distance Learning has sent a survey for feedback on Canvas. Responses will be used to build future training for Canvas. Please make sure to submit your responses by April 18.

**Elections Committee**—No report

**Faculty Grievance Committee**—No change from last meeting

**Faculty Personnel & Handbook Committee**—No change from last meeting

**Faculty Research & Instructional Development Committee**—No report

**General Education Committee**—No report

**Program Review Committee**—No report

**Undergraduate Admissions and Standards Committee**—No report

**Ad Hoc Student Evaluation Committee**—No report

**Ad Hoc Re-Opening Committee**—No report

**Ad Hoc MLK Holiday Committee**—No report

**University Standing Committees**

**Assessment**—No report

**Budget & Planning**—No report

**University Council**—Item moved to President's Report

8. **President's Report:**

1. University Council--University Council has asked if Faculty Senate wishes to retain the presence of the Faculty Senate President and Vice President and has asked for a statement for their next meeting. Discussion of this topic was moved to New Business.

9. **Old Business:**

1. Proposed Changes to Bylaws—President Beinlich shared feedback she received on the proposed changes to the bylaws including concerns on the third proposed edit. Proposed edits were again shared with Senators for discussion and vote.

Motion to add the amended Proposed edit to Section 5A, “Meetings shall be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 3:30 pm until 5:00 pm, unless adjourned earlier.” made by Flores, seconded by Senn

For—19

Opposed—1

Abstain—none

Motion passed

Motion to add amended Proposed addition of Section 5H, “Meetings can be extended by increments of 15 minutes on the basis of a motion and vote of a simple majority, passed prior to 5:00pm and/or subsequent increments end. Subsequently added increments of 15 minutes each would need to follow the same process of motion and vote.” made by Pollock, seconded by Flores

For—19

Opposed—none

Abstain—1

Motion passed

Motion to remove Proposed addition Section 5G with the understanding it can be reintroduced at a later date if needed made by Flores, seconded by Senn

For—19

Opposed—1

Abstain—none

Motion passed

10. **New Business:**

1. Proposed Edits to University Council Membership—Senators discussed a possible addition of the Internal Auditor to University Council membership and faculty concern that the Internal Auditor should be an independent role with a possible conflict of interest. Senators further discussed a faculty request that Faculty Senate consider creating a resolution.

Motion to put forward a note that Faculty Senate has reservations regarding the membership of the Internal Auditor holding both that position in an advisory capacity on University Council as well as another voting position on University Council made by Senn, seconded by Flores

For—18

Opposed—1

Abstain—1

Motion passed

2. Remaining business held until May 6 meeting due to time. President Beinlich encouraged members of the Reopening Committee to meet.

11. **Announcements:**

1. Vice President Sweeten shared details for the upcoming Jack Williamson Lectureship.
2. Senator Tigue shared the Department of Languages and Literature will host a panel for students about working with words in careers like publishing and editing on April 30 at 2 pm. On April 30 at 4 pm, there will be a creative writing reading in celebration of the spring 2021 issue of the literary journal.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tollet, seconded by Brust

Opposed—none

Abstain—none

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted by Pamela Shuler, Secretary