

Professional Employee Senate Meeting
April 21, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.
Via Microsoft Teams due to COVID-19

Call to order: by Christopher Lindemann at 3:32 p.m.

Present: Regina Bouley Sweeten, Blanca Bustos, Betsy Chavez, Desiree Cooper, Ellen Gardiner, Monica Gonzalez, Gillian Gordon, Christopher Lindemann, Stephanie Miles, Kelli Roberts, and Brent Small

Absent: Craig Collins, Allan Crawford, and Arnulfo Marquez

Approval of Minutes: President Lindemann called for a motion to accept March meeting minutes.

Motion: Gillian/Kelli motioned to approve the minutes with corrections on the discussion about removing a senator due to absences and to be placed on Old Business. Motioned passed by all.

Committee Reports

- A. **Administrator Evaluation** – No Report.
- B. **Board of Regents** – There are discussion on topics such as the impact that COVID-19 will have on the state and university budgets, the state will have a special session in the near future, oil prices have dropped and impact New Mexico, using the same budget as this fiscal year, and some funds will be cut from budgets.
- C. **Budget and Planning** – Met before the Board of Regents meeting. Some projects that already started have been sequestered such as the Greyhound Arena roof and the Presidents residence.
- D. **Financial Aid and Scholarship Committee** – Committee met on an Athletic appeal.
- E. **Library** – No report **Action:** Remove from next Agenda.
- F. **Parking Fines Appeals** – No report.
- G. **Professional Employees Grievance** – No Report.
- H. **Roswell Campus** – No Report.
- I. **Ruidoso Campus** – Monica reported that they too are working from home. Registration and academics are continuing.
- J. **University Council** – President Lindemann mentioned that the committee met about the language changes on Policy 15-2 and the changes were shot down and decided to keep the same language, but to put a tag with a definition to clarify. There was nothing to add to the policies.

Other Reports:

Old Business:

- A. **February Employee Meal** – Gillian mentioned that the Shyanne kept the budget within \$400. There would be a budget transfer for \$200 from the President. There were 80 plus that attended the event, food was delicious and a huge success. Congratulations to all.
- B. **AGP&P 15-2 language concerns** – President Lindemann, already talked about this under University Council.
- C. **Review of Medical Leave Bank Policy** – Brent mentioned that the policy is on desk at work.

New Business:

A. Elections – President Lindeman will get with Allan to discuss which Senator positions will expire and get started on the process the next couple of weeks.

B. As Raised

- a. End of Year Luncheon** – President Lindemann, mentioned that due to COVID-19, discussion will take place to the end of the term, since everything is uncertain at this time
- b. Dr. Elwell's Last Day** – President Lindeman, mentioned that Dr. Caldwell will resume as Interim Chancellor and that the Board of Regents will do the same as last time and hire a company to search for the ENMU's next Chancellor.

Adjournment – President Lindemann adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m. after a motion to adjourn was made by Regina/Ellen. Motion passed by all. Next meeting will be on May 19, 2020.

Minutes prepared by: Betsy Chavez, secretary.