

Eastern New Mexico University
University Council
November 30, 2020, 3:10 p.m.

Present Stephanie Beinlich, Patrice Caldwell, Enrique Carrillo, Allan Crawford, Clark Elswick, Russell Johnson, Jamie Laurenz, Rachel Lingnau, Jeff Long, Christi Melton, Shawn Powell, Darrell Roe, Laura Smart, Scott Smart, Hannah Stout, Marshall Swafford, David Sweeten, Vickie Thomas, Ryan Trosper, Konni Wallace

Guests Suzanne Balch-Lindsay Jessica Small

Call to Order Dr. Swafford called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. A motion (Beinlich/Smart L.) to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2020, meeting passed unanimously.

Reports President’s Report: President Caldwell reported on an upcoming Legislative Finance Committee meeting on December 8. . The committee, meeting virtually, wants to hear from a number of state agencies about 2021-22 budgets. They have scheduled a presentation b by the higher education institutions. Budgets are prepared by a number of entities (LFC, DFA and HED) and are all reviewed at the January legislative session.

Dr. Laurenz: No report

Dr. Long: No report

Mr. Smart: No Report

Mr. Elswick: No report

Faculty Senate: No report

Professional Senate: No report

Support Senate: No report

Student Senate: No report

There were no other reports.

Old Business

Second review

10-9 Regent Code of Conduct	Edits match changes to the Staff Code of Conduct. “Gratuity” reference removed (10-9-4E); definition of family now consistent (10-9-4B). Passed unanimously
80-13 Sexual Harassment	The request to vacate this policy (now covered under the more comprehensive Title IX policy) was referred to constituencies at the last meeting. Passed unanimously

No other old business

New Business

Governance Review- Chairman Swafford and Dr. Caldwell reviewed the purpose behind the proposed governance review process. This process will ask committees and councils that are part of governance to review the effectiveness of their processes, the appropriateness of their

memberships and charges, and any other aspect of their committee or council they wish to study. This report will be sent to the University Council for the Council's broader review.

Because the University Council is the clearinghouse for governance, it has historically been the body to review governance processes.

Dr Balch-Lindsay, ENMU's liaison with HLC, added that such a review, while not required, could be used as evidence of the institution's attention to shared governance in ENMU's interim report, due Spring 2022.

President of Faculty Senate Stephanie Beinlich stated Faculty Senate is discussing some membership changes to committees under the senate purview to give tenure track faculty who need service on their FECs first option to serve on committees.

Allan Crawford stated Professional Senate is also working on their Senate committees. President Caldwell stated both are very much apart of this review and show these groups are actively engaged in assuring that governance processes are responsive and alive.

Chairman Swafford reviewed how this process would be implemented: the self-study documents would be sent out to committees who would fill them out individually and then review them as a committee before returning the committee/council report to the Planning Office. Reports will then be distributed to University Council for their review and discussion in the next year. Senates are included in this process. College Councils not exactly part of the shared governance process since they are advisory to the dean.

Motion to approve to proceed with governance review to take place (Roe/Crawford), Chairman requested a response date for this information to be returned. March 29th to have everything in and ready, Russell Johnson requested March 29th deadline for review to be added to the motion. Darrell Roe suggested right before Spring Break, March the 12th. Motion to approve the date March 12th (Crawford/Roe). Early Submissions may be reviewed by University Council before the deadline date.

Adjournment There being no other new business, a motion (Johnson/Roe) to adjourn accepted unanimously at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes prepared by
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