

**EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY**  
**BOARD OF REGENTS WORK SESSION**  
Aztec Room, Marriott Pyramid North, Albuquerque, NM  
July 8, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

Attendees: Patrice Caldwell, Larry Horan, Dr. Kathy Ulibarri, and Dr. Becky Rowley

Regents present: Mr. Phillip Bustos, Dr. Dan Patterson, Ms. Trish Ruiz

**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Vice President Bustos called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with three regents present (Regents Bustos, Patterson and Ruiz).
2. A motion (Ruiz/Patterson) to accept the agenda reversing the order of presenters was approved 3-3-0.

**BUSINESS MATTERS**

1. **Overview and Partnership Possibilities with CHES.** Dr. Kathy Ulibarri, CEO of the Collaborative for Higher Education Shared Services (CHES) and Dr. Becky Rowley, president, SFCC, provided an overview of the CHES collaborative-- a structure for independently governed colleges and universities to achieve system benefits while maintaining locally elected/appointed Boards. CHES uses Workday to enable shared payroll and standardized reporting functions, allowing shared cost of IT talent, reduce server maintenance costs and create efficiencies in meeting campus needs. Current partners of this 501(c)3 (CCC, CNM, Mesalands, NMMC, SJC, and SFCC) have a timeline for implementing the various modules of Workday. One opportunity is a joint application form for all partners that could facilitate transfer between campuses. Drs. Rowley and Ulibarri will be available for any additional questions from the Regents. Vice President Bustos and all the Regents thanked them for the presentation. No action was taken.
2. **University Lobbyist Introduction; Legislative Recap.** Mr. Larry Horan provided an overview of legislative activities this summer and some emerging issues, including redistricting changes, Houser leadership changes, non-recurring fund focus, and continuing high priority topics such as crime, roads, renewable energy, the Martinez-Yazzie lawsuit, broadband, and mental and behavioral health. He spoke briefly about the Council of University Presidents' list of priorities (shared across all higher education) and will be attending the LFC meeting in Silver City. Mr. Horan will explore if training funds are available for ENMU campus security personnel. Vice President Bustos and the Regents thanked Mr. Horan for the presentation and requested further updates through the year. No action was taken.
3. **School Security.** Campus updates from Portales, Roswell and Ruidoso addressed priorities of campus, safety and training for staff and students. All campuses comply with Clery Act reporting requirements. The importance of safety and security of campus through training and other security measures (keyless access, etc.) will be part of back-to-campus briefings.

4. **Blackwater Draw (BWD) Property.** Dr. Caldwell updated the Regents on two parties interested in purchasing land at the old BWD museum site. ENMU has not indicated any intent to sell—these were “cold” calls. The campus administrative team does not support additional land sales at this time. Area law enforcement and ENMU Public Safety Dept continue to use the shooting range at BWD; the Wildlife program conducts research at the BWD grasslands preserve.
5. **ENMU Slogan.** Dr. Caldwell provided background on the ENMU slogan review and change from “Explore – Experience – Excel” to “Student Success—That’s what we’re about.” A possible “refresh” of all ENMU logos may be undertaken prior to ENMU’s 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary (2024).
6. **Student Recruitment.** The Ruidoso, Roswell and Portales campuses provided brief updates on their recruiting efforts in their campus recruiting goals. The Regents will receive final copies of the plans submitted to HED at their next meeting, possibility with some feedback from HED.
7. **Open Positions.** A handout listing open positions at Ruidoso and Ruidoso was provided from HR, Dr. Laurenz and President Trosper. Dr. Powell has already provided Roswell numbers. Positions for grant-funded positions are also included. Positions are being filled and further updates will be available later this summer.
8. **Update on Presidential Search.** Regent Bustos and Dr. Caldwell provided an update from Dr. Goering and EFL Associates on recruiting the applicant pool. The search committee has also received this information. The position was announced 15 June, and the search firm is holding closely to the timeline presented to and approved by the Search Committee.
9. **Additional Athletic Programs.** Dr. Weir is researching options (women’s tennis, wrestling, golf). Teams are actively recruiting students for fall and running very successful summer youth camps.
10. **Partnerships/Assistance from ENMU Foundation.** Dr. Caldwell provided an update on the Foundation transfer scholarship (\$25,000). The Foundation is discussing property acquisition and demolition. This property east of GSSC has been an eyesore for years.

**Adjournment.** There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Notes prepared by Patrice Caldwell