

**EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY**  
**Board of Regents Meeting**  
**ENMU-Roswell**  
**Roswell Convention Center**  
**May 10, 2024 – 1:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Regent President Trish Ruiz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Trish Ruiz, Ray Birmingham, Logan O'Brien, Lance Pyle, and Phillip Bustos were present.

*Roll call: Regent Ruiz– Yes; Regent Birmingham– Yes; Regent O'Brien – Yes; Regent Pyle– Yes; Regent Bustos – Yes.*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVE THE AGENDA**

*Regent Ruiz moved to amend the agenda by moving the ENMU-Roswell Strategic Objective to the first matter of business and change the ENMU-Ruidoso Emeritus Status item to an action item. Regent Birmingham moved to approve the amended agenda. Regent Pyle seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Regent Birmingham moved to approve the April 19, 2024 meeting minutes. Regent Pyle seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

**BUSINESS MATTERS**

**Consent Agenda**

1. ENMU-Portales Spring 2024 Graduation List (*Dr. Jamie Laurenz, Action*)
2. ENMU-Roswell Spring 2024 Graduation List (*Dr. Shawn Powell, Action*)
3. ENMU-Ruidoso Spring 2024 Graduation List (*Mr. Ryan Trosper, Action*)

*Regent Pyle moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

**Other Items**

1. ENMU-Roswell Strategic Objective Update  
Dr. Powell introduced Jacob Puckett, director of Information Technology Services. The strategic goals and objectives were highlighted as follows:
  - Strategic Goal #1: Student Success
    - Enhance services and processes that promote student engagement and completion
  - Strategic Goal #2: Community Success
    - Expand community outreach and strengthen community partnerships
  - Strategic Goal #3: Institutional Success
    - Enhance campus accessibility, appeal, and safety
2. Amendments to Policy: Purchasing Policy 55-1, Purchasing Card Policy 55-4, Travel Policy 35-1, Publications, Forms and Signage 65-4, Title IX 80-12  
Mr. Benito Gonzales clarified policy amendments:
  - 35-1 Travel: Added per diem, actuals, and prior approval for lodging over \$215.
  - 55-1 Purchasing: Clarified the role of the CPO (Chief Procurement Officer).
  - 55-4 Purchasing Card: Changed the single transaction dollar amount to \$1,500.

65-4 Publication, Format, and Signage: Added language to clarify requirements for branding and color selections.

80-12 Title IX Policy: Added New Mexico statutory language regarding the trauma-informed policy and affirmative consent.

Mr. Gonzales said the Business Office policies will go into effect July 1, 2024, with the new fiscal year.

***Regent Pyle moved to approve the policy amendments as presented. Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz-Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

3. Five-Year Capital Plan

Mr. Tony Major said the Five-year Capital Plan list is presented in conjunction with the Facilities Master Plan. As part of the Higher Education Department project submission packet for the summer hearings, ENMU must submit its Five-year Capital Plan. This plan lists the more substantial projects funded by General Obligation Bonds and Severance Tax Bonds.

**Capital Projects FY 2024-2025 (STB)**

1. Repair/Replace HVAC in the Science Building
2. Culinary Arts Equipment Replacement - \$1.3M

**Capital Projects FY 2025-2026 (GOB)**

1. New building for Agriculture Science/Art Annex - \$15M
2. New Health Sciences Building - \$18M

**Capital Projects FY 2026-2027 (STB)**

1. HVAC Controls Replacement
2. Greyhound Arena Locker Room renovations

**Capital Projects FY 2027-2028 (GOB)**

1. College of Business Building renovations
2. Education Building roof replacement

**Capital Projects FY 2028-2029 (STB)**

1. Campus Union Building Renovations
2. College of Business roof replacement

**Capital Projects FY 2029-2030**

1. Greyhound Arena renovations
2. College of Education classroom renovations

***Regent Birmingham moved to approve the ENMU-Portales Five-year Capital Plan as presented. Regent Pyle seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz-Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

4. Summer 2024 Capital Projects

Mr. Major said the University has been encouraged to submit two projects for consideration for the summer hearings. These projects usually pertain to health and safety:

- Science Building HVAC repair/replacement and chiller installation for energy efficiency - \$1.5M
- Culinary Arts equipment replacement - \$1.3M

A supplemental request has been requested for any cost overruns for existing projects:

- Increased construction costs for the completion of the SAS Building project - \$8M

***Regent Pyle moved to approve ENMU-Portales Capital Projects as presented. Regent O'Brien seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz- Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

5. ENMU-Roswell NMHED 2024 Requests for Annual Capital Outlay Funding

Dr. Powell said the following projects will be submitted for the summer Capital Outlay requests if approved by the Regents:

- Energy Savings Management System - \$1.25M
- Health Science Center HVAC system renovation - \$1.8M

A supplemental request will be made for the Sprinkler/Fire Suppression systems - \$1.5M

***Regent Pyle moved to approve ENMU-Roswell NMHED 2024 Capital t as presented. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes response; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - No. Motion approved.***

6. ENMU-Roswell Five-Year Capital Projects Plan

Dr. Powell said the following Capital Projects Plan is being brought before the Board of Regents in accordance with NMHED requirements. The Roswell campus is refreshing its facility master plan with the goal of releasing the new version in spring 2025.

**Capital Projects 2024-2025 (FY25)**

1. Health Science remodeling, Nursing Program expansion – est. \$3M
2. Roof and EIFS replacement at ITC – est. \$1.57M
3. Walkway and parking lot improvements (phased project) – est. \$1.25M
4. Energy Savings Management System – est. \$1.25M

**Capital Projects 2025-2026 (FY26)**

1. Aviation Maintenance Technology lab and storage expansion – est. \$7.154M
2. Sprinkler system and fire suppression (OTC, PEC, and ASC) - est. \$4.4M
3. HVAC replacement in Health Sciences – est. \$1.8M
4. Campus signage – est. \$280K

**Capital Projects 2026 – 2027 (FY27)**

1. Upgrade fire panels, motion detection, and access systems – est. TBD
2. Exterior stucco/EIFS restoration and repair – est. \$4,592M

**Capital Project 2027-2028 (FY28)**

1. HVAC system upgrades campus-wide – est. \$6.9M

**Capital Projects 2028-2029 (FY29)**

1. Sewer/sanitation and restroom renovations in the Performing Arts Center – est. \$1.485M

***Regent Pyle moved to approve the ENMU-Roswell Five-year Capital Projects Plan as presented. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos – Yes. Motion approved.***

7. ENMU-Ruidoso Emeritus Status, Dr. Stephen Miller

Mr. Ryan Trosper remarked on the many contributions of Dr. Stephen Miller over the past fifteen years. Dr. Miller has demonstrated his commitment to excellence in teaching and service. His expertise in cybersecurity has played a vital role in shaping the next generation of cybersecurity professionals. He is a strong supporter of the University and has generously contributed his time, resources, and expertise in supporting fundraising initiatives.

In recognition of Dr. Miller's outstanding contributions to ENMU-Ruidoso, he is being brought forward for Emeritus status.

***Regent Pyle moved to approve the Emeritus Status for Dr. Stephen Miller. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos – Yes. Motion approved.***

8. ENMU-Ruidoso Five-year Capital Projects Plan

Mr. Trosper presented the five-year plan for the Ruidoso campus as follows:

Five-year Plan (2024-2028)

- Priority #1 – Workforce training space (2025) Plan, design, construct, furnish and equip additional training spaces and infrastructure for workforce and trade skills on campus.  
Cost - \$6M
- Priority #2 – Parking lot improvements (2025) Plan, design, and construct improvements on the parking lot, focusing on the east edge of campus.  
Cost - \$500K
- Priority #3 – Retaining wall improvements (2025) Plan, design, and construct improvements to retaining walls on campus.  
Cost - \$200K
- Priority #4 – Student and staff housing (2027) Plan, design, construct, and finish a residence hall facility for students and assist the campus and community with the workforce housing shortage in the community.  
Cost - \$11M
- Priority #5 – Covering (2027) Plan, design, and construct a covering over the south alley to protect campus equipment.

Regent Pyle recommended bringing the priority of student and staff housing to a higher level.

***Regent Pyle moved to approve the ENMU-Ruidoso Five-year Capital Plan as presented. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

9. ENMU-Ruidoso Research and Public Service Projects FY26

Mr. Trosper said the ENMU-Ruidoso Community College Board has approved the following RSPS recommendation for funding in FY26.

Research and Public Service Project for FY26

- Nursing Partnership – Request \$300K  
In response to the statewide and local nursing shortage, ENMU-Ruidoso is continuing its partnership with ENMU-Roswell to allow students to complete the RN program while working and living in the Ruidoso area. The college currently has ten students enrolled in the program. The goal is to use local facilities to host programs and help students and allied health employees to remain in the area while earning their nursing degrees.

***Regent Bustos moved to approve the ENMU-Ruidoso Research and Public Service Projects for FY26 as presented. Regent Pyle seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

10. ENMU-Ruidoso Summer 2024 Capital Projects

Mr. Trosper presented two proposals for the summer NMHED Capital Outlay Hearings:

- Parking lot improvements – est. \$500K
- Retaining wall improvements – est. \$200K

***Regent Pyle moved to approve the ENMU-Ruidoso Summer 2024 Capital Projects as presented. Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.***

## **ROUTINE MATTERS**

### **REPORT FROM THE ENMU-ROSWELL PRESIDENT**

Dr. Powell welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the senior administrative staff.

Dr. Powell said they have recently received Workforce training funds for CDL training, aviation maintenance, and welding certification. The Eastern New Mexico Medical Auxiliary has donated funds for a designated space for students to store their items at the Health Science Center.

Construction updates include the completion of the sewer and sanitation project, an RFP is out for the expansion project, they have met with architects regarding the Facilities Master Plan, and this will be brought to the Board in September.

### **REPORT FROM THE ENMU-RUIDOSO PRESIDENT**

Mr. Trosper announced that the number of spring graduates is up 20%. This is the largest graduating class since 2014. A pre-commencement reception will be held Thursday, May 16, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Downs Jockey Club, followed by the Commencement ceremony at 6:00 p.m. at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

A memorandum of understanding has been agreed upon with the Village of Ruidoso for the use of the ENMU-Ruidoso generator when wind speeds require electrical shut-downs.

Projects under construction include:

- Generator installation – beginning work with a contractor. Project completion is expected this summer. Cost: \$237K (STB funding)
- Athletic equipment – The athletic coordinator is creating a spending plan. Cost: \$200K (STB funding)
- Exterior improvements – Involves items that were value-engineered out of the Nexus Phase 3. They are working with an architect, and an RFP will be issued soon. Cost: \$281K (STB funding)

### **REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR OF THE ENMU SYSTEM and Dashboard Presentation**

Dr. James Johnston reported summer enrollment is up 1.2%. Fall is up 4.6%, and semester credit hour production up 3.5%. Dr. Johnston expressed appreciation to the Admissions Office staff and Financial Aid group for their efforts in recovering from a poor rollout of the new FAFSA by the USDE.

The sub-groups involved in the One Eastern Taskforce continue to meet regularly to align processes and practices. The implementation of Degree Works aids in that direction for parts of this initiative. A taskforce has revised the Mission Plan and Strategic Plan, and it has been reviewed by University Council. Recommendations will be brought to the Regents in June.

An executive director for Information Technology Systems has been hired. Ms. Erin Morgan will begin in her new position on May 20, 2024. The Athletic Director search is nearing completion, and a selection will be announced soon.

Upcoming events:

- NMDOT Commission Meeting – May 16, 2024
- Burying of the Beef and Foundation BBQ – June 1, 2024 (venue change – Enchantment Vineyards)

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

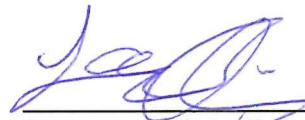
*Regent Pyle moved to enter executive session at 2:48 p.m. to discuss one threatened or pending litigation matter involving the University pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7), NMSA (1978). Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

*Regent Pyle moved to return to open session at 3:17 p.m.  
Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

Regent Pyle reported that one matter pertaining to pending litigation was discussed. No action was taken.

## ADJOURNMENT

*Regent Birmingham moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:18 p.m.  
Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes;  
O'Brien – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.*

  
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**President of the Board**  
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**Secretary of the Board**

*Minutes recorded and prepared by Karen Van Ruiten  
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