

EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Special Virtual Board of Regents Meeting
Teams
August 28, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Regent President Trish Ruiz called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Trish Ruiz, Ray Birmingham, Emily Wilbanks, Lance Pyle, and Phillip Bustos were present.

Roll call: Regent Ruiz– Yes; Regent Birmingham– Yes; Regent Wilbanks – Yes; Regent Pyle– Yes; Regent Bustos – Yes.

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Regent Birmingham moved to approve the agenda as presented. Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; Wilbanks – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Increase in FY27 RPSP Request for KENW

Dr. James Johnston said the state invited ENMU to request an increase in state funding for KENW to offset the anticipated Federal loss for the upcoming budget cycle. A request for \$1.28 million was presented.

Discussion took place regarding the effect this loss could have on KENW, students, and the viewing area if alternative funding measures were not found.

Regent Pyle moved to approve the increase in the FY27 Research and Public Service request for KENW. Regent Bustos seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; Wilbanks – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.

2. ENMU-Roswell Architect Selection for AMT Building Expansion

Dr. Shawn Powell presented an approval request for architectural services by Parkhill Architects of Albuquerque for the 2024 General Obligations Bond project. This project expansion is for the Aviation Maintenance Building, and the anticipated fees are \$715,597, which is 9.5% of the actual project cost.

Regent Bustos moved to approve the architect selection for the Aviation Maintenance Building expansion project at ENMU-Roswell as presented. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; Wilbanks – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.

3. ENMU-Ruidoso Room and Board Rates FY26

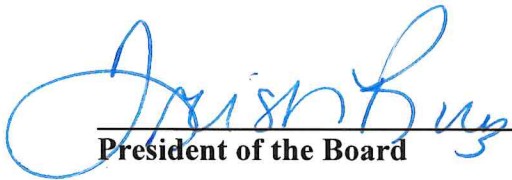
Dr. Ryan Trosper recognized that this room and board approval is a bit off-cycle; however, due to recent natural disasters and the growth in enrollment, the need has arisen for student housing. A total of seven housing units have been secured at a hotel in Ruidoso and will be overseen by a staff member who lives on-site.

Regent Wilbanks moved to approve the ENMU-Ruidoso room and board rates for FY26 as presented. Regent Birmingham seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; Wilbanks – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Regent Birmingham moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

Regent Pyle seconded the motion. Vote: Ruiz – Yes; Birmingham – Yes; Wilbanks – Yes; Pyle – Yes; Bustos - Yes. Motion approved.



President of the Board

NOT PRESENT

Secretary of the Board

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