

MINUTES OF THE 6TH MEETING
of the
NMSU FACULTY SENATE
February 04, 2016

PRESENT: Acharya, Alden, Amatya, Andersen, Bawazir, Blair, Boeing, Brown, Christensen, Cibils, Corran, Creamer, DeBoyrie, Dean, Goss, Guynn, Huhmann, Jarry, Josselet, Kelly, Keys, Leon, Matthews, McAteer, McCarty, Miller, Mora, Morandi, Mullen, Nakotte, Oesterreich, Ortiz, Prentice, Query, Ramos, Reinhart, Ricketts, Roark-Diehl, Rosendorf, Sassenfeld, Schirmer, Stokowski, Van Winkle, Villaverde, Vazquez, Walker, Zemler

ABSENT: Billings, Bishop, Campbell, Dawe, Dhillon, Eisele, Hamzeh*, Huang, Marin, Misra, Prince*, Smith, Spencer, Turner, Villa (*excused absence)

EX-OFFICIO: Dr. Dan Howard, NMSU Executive Vice-President and Provost

GUESTS: Dr. Shelly Stovall, Executive Director of Accreditation; Dr. Edward Pines, Engineering Department Head

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair Munson-McGee at 4:00 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

Dr. Daniel Howard, Executive Vice President and Provost on General Education Reform:
Provost Howard was in Albuquerque earlier in the week to meet with the General Education Steering Committee. The push towards Gen Ed reform started in October 2015 as an effort to reinvigorate general education in New Mexico. A state-wide summit took place January 13, 2016. Twenty-six institutions came together and formed a statewide steering committee.

The steering committee is examining:

- What are the essential skills every graduate a student of NM Higher Ed should possess?
- What is the content?
- How does our curriculum get us there?

Discussion

➤ *With respect to 9 months, is the expectation this can/will be done?*

Yes. UNLV was in attendance at the statewide meeting. They have already gone through the process. It can be done. We can use them as a resource for finding our way towards accomplishing our goal.

➤ *If you were in the process of advising curriculum, would you suspend it until the task force is done?*

It is advised we continue as usual. While we are striving for the best outcome, there is no assurance this will be successful. We need to operate within the frame work we currently have in front of us.

3. Approval of Agenda

Move to approve made and seconded; no objections. Agenda approved as submitted.

4. Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2016 meeting

Move to approve made and seconded; no objections. Minutes approved as submitted.

5. Consent Calendar

No items

6. Reports of Officers

a. FS Chair, Stuart Munson-McGee

- Welcome new A&S Senators: Dr. Manal Hamzeh, Dr. David Ortiz
- Election Results
 1. Total Votes: 147
 2. Dr. Christopher Brown: 78 votes
 3. Dr. Gary Rayson: 69 votes

b. FS Vice Chair, Gary Rayson

- Attended ADAC Jan 25th
- Expect changes in SAP dealing with Federal Title-4 student aide
- Look for a proposition to come forward for changes in the warning policy for students not meeting minimum standard.
- Feb 19, 2016: deadline for catalog changes

7. **Reports of Standing Committees**

Faculty Affairs: Patrick Morandi

- Committee is continuing to meet in groups for changes to P&T

Long Range Planning: Ram Acharya

- Committee reviewed proposition 10-15/16
- Committee unanimously voted to recommend "do pass".
- **Move to accept report made and seconded; no objections. Report accepted.**

University Affairs: David Keys

- Committee reviewed proposition 12-15/16
- Committee recommends "Do pass as amended"
- **Move to accept report made and seconded; no objections. Report accepted.**

Scholastic Affairs: Becky Corran

- Committee reviewed proposition 11-15/16
- Committee recommends "Do pass".
- **Move to accept report made and seconded; no objections. Report accepted.**

8. New Business

No new business

9. Unfinished Business

Proposition 07-15/16: A proposition to change policy 6.82 to define requirements and approvals necessary for transcribed academic accomplishments (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES), G.D Rayson (A&S))

- Legislation tabled at January 14, 2016 Senate meeting
- **Move to remove off table made and seconded. Senate unanimous; legislation off table.**
- Motion to approve made and seconded.
- Call made for division of house. Motion made and seconded.
- **Senate votes: 31 in favor; 15 opposed; 2 abstentions. Proposition carries and passes.**

Proposition 10-15/16: Policy Statement for 5.90 – Promotion and Tenure Policy (P. Morandi (A&S))

- The committee received a revised version from General Council that had recommendations that were significantly different from the original committee recommendations.
- **Move to table made and seconded. 47 in favor; 1 opposed; policy tabled.**

Proposition 11-15/16: Proposal for a Master of Engineering graduate degree to be offered by departments of the college of engineering. (R. Sassenfeld (Engineering), S. Stochaj (Dean, Engineering), E. Pines (Engineering))

- **Motion to pass as written; seconded with no discussion. Senate votes unanimously in favor. Proposition passes.**

Proposition 12-15/16: Changes in Undergraduate Catalog to reflect decrease in minimum credit hours for specific degree programs (G.D. Rayson (A&S))

- Motion to approve made and seconded.
- Friendly amendment to include English to the list of degrees.
- Motion to add amendment made seconded; no opposition. Amendment added
- CEP should be BS, not MS in Counseling and Community Psychology and Special Ed
- **Senate votes unanimously in favor. Proposition passes.**

10. Other Business

i. Rule 1.10 Discussion

- How will Faculty Senate process propositions it initiates?
 - Is the procedure reasonable for us to follow?
 - Does the senate as a body want to look at and approve it as a body before it goes to the committee of 4?
 - Informal advisory vote taken: Should potential policy be brought before the board prior to committee of 4?
 - Majority of senate in favor.
- What level of Senate approval is needed prior to submitting to General Counsel to begin review and comment period?
 - Policy 1.10 Development: <https://manual.nmsu.edu/files/2013/10/110-policy-development-redline-062013.pdf>
 - Rule 1.10

ii. Call for volunteer: NMSU Diversity Council

iii. Call for volunteer: NMSU Sustainability Council

11. Remarks and Announcements

No further remarks or announcements

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Britney Stout

Faculty Senate Recording Secretary