

NMSU FACULTY SENATE  
LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE  
Senate Chambers, Garcia Annex  
4:00 p.m. September 24, 2015

Present: Ram Acharya, Becky Corran, Rebecca Creamer, Angus Dawe, Meg Goehring, David Keys, Pat Morandi, Heather Oesterrich, Anita Reinhart, Rolfe Sassenfeld

Excused Absence: Liz Miller

Absent: James Bishop, William Walker

Ex-Officio: Faculty Senate Chair, Stuart Munson-McGee

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by SLC Chair Rayson at 4:00 p.m.

2. Recognition of Guests

No guests

3. Approval of Agenda

**Move to approve agenda made and seconded. Agenda unanimously approved.**

4. Approval of minutes of August 27, 2015 meeting

Minutes will be amended to reflect Rebecca Creamer and Anita Reinhart as excused absences. Move to add the category "excused absences" made and seconded.

**SLC votes all in favor, no objections or abstentions. Amended minutes unanimously approved.**

5. Reports on Legislation

**Proposition 01-15/16:** A proposition to request approval for a new undergraduate major in Educational Leadership as outlined in 6.82A of the NMSU Policy Manual. (J. Berning (COE), E. Vasquez (COE), M. Prentice (COE))

**University Affairs Committee reviewed legislation and recommends "do pass".**

**Proposition 02-15/16:** A Proposition to Change the Degree Name and Major Name from "Bachelor of Science in Agriculture with a major in Wildlife Science" to "Bachelor of Science in Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology with a major in Fisheries and Wildlife Science" (R. Creamer (ACES), R. Acharya (ACES))

**Scholastic Affairs Committee reviewed legislation and made the following changes:**

**Title:** Change from "A Proposition to Change the Degree Name..." to "A Proposition to Change the Degree Name and Major Name..."

**Proposal:** Change from "We propose to change the name of the Bachelor of Science degree awarded by the Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Ecology Department..." to "We propose to change the name of the Bachelor of Science degree and major awarded by the Fish, Wildlife, and Conservation Ecology Department..."

**Committee recommends "do pass as amended".**

**Proposition 03-15/16:** A Proposition to Change the Degree Name from “The Master of Science in Wildlife Science” to “Master of Science in Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Ecology.” (R. Creamer (ACES), R. Acharya (ACES))

**Scholastic Affairs Committee reviewed legislation and unanimously recommends “do pass”.**

**Proposition 04-15/16:** A Proposition to Change the Degree Name from “Bachelor in Conservation Ecology” to “Bachelor of Science in Conservation Ecology” (R. Creamer (ACES), R. Acharya (ACES))

**Scholastic Affairs Committee reviewed legislation and unanimously recommends “do pass”.**

6. Proposed Legislation

**Proposition 05-15/16:** Modification of the University’s Viewing a Wider World requirement. (Rolfe Sassenfeld, Faculty -College of Engineering; Lynn Kelly, Faculty -College of Engineering; Steve Stochaj, Dean -College of Engineering)

**Assigned to University Affairs Committee meeting October 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Discussion:

- Discussion about this legislation should be framed not only around how this works within the new 120 credit degree requirement, but rather whether or not this is pedagogically what we want to do as an institution.
- Sponsors for this proposition are all from the College of Engineering, but we are looking at this as a University requirement. Are there places within Engineering that we can make these cuts rather than making a University decision? Or, is there a way to diversify sponsors so that this is not coming from just the College of Engineering as a University statement.

**Proposition 06-15/16:** A proposition to change policy 6.82 to define requirements and approvals necessary for transcribed academic accomplishments (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES))

**Assigned to Long Range Planning Committee meeting October 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Proposition 07-15/16:** A proposition to change the requirements in the Undergraduate Catalog concerning Basic Academic Skills. (S.H. Munson-McGee (ACES))

**Assigned to Faculty Affairs, meeting October 13<sup>th</sup>.**

7. Other Business

- a. Approval of Faculty Senate October 01, 2015 meeting agenda.  
Move to approve with change to title of Proposition 02-15/16; move seconded.  
**SLC votes all in favor, none opposed. Amended agenda unanimously approved.**

8. Remarks and Announcements

A. FS Chair, Munson-McGee

- Will host a new senator introduction to Faculty Senate on Tuesday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Chair plans to visit Grants CC for the Community College round up.
- Compliance training modules need to be completed ASAP. NMSU needs all employees to complete them in order to receive accreditation and federal funding.
- The Staffing Study has been completed. Chancellor Carruthers is assembling 5 task forces to implement recommended changes.

B. FS Vice-Chair/Senate Leadership Chair, Gary Rayson

- There is a discussion happening about changing coding for courses.

9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by SLC Chair Rayson at 5:06 p.m.