

NMSU FACULTY SENATE  
LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE  
Senate Chambers, Garcia Annex  
4:00 p.m., October 29, 2015

Present: SLC Chair Gary D. Rayson, Ram Acharya, Rebecca Creamer, Angus Dawe, Meg Goehring, David Keys, Liz Miller, Heather Oesterrich, Anita Reinhart, Rolfe Sassenfeld, William Walker

Excused Absences: Becky Corran, Pat Morandi

Absent: James Bishop,

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

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by SLC Chair Rayson at 4:05 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 September 24, 2015 meeting

**Move to approve minutes made and seconded. SLC votes 10 in favor, 1 abstention. Minutes approved.**

5. Reports on Legislation

Proposition 05-15/16: Modification of the University's Viewing a Wider World requirement. (Rolfe Sassenfeld (Engineering), Lynn Kelly (Engineering), Steve Stochaj (Engineering), Heinz Nakotte (A&S))

**University Affairs committee met 10/15/2015. Committee voted 6-2 to table proposition.**

Proposition will return to University Affairs committee for review.

6. Proposed Legislation

Proposition 06-15/16: Change in Major Name – Counseling & Educational Psychology Master's Degree (Heather Oesterrich (Education), Enedina Vázquez (Education))

**Assigned to Scholastic Affairs meeting Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.**

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))

**Assigned to Long Range Planning meeting Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Proposition 08-15/16: A Proposition to Clarify the Composition and Privileges of Ex-officio Membership in the Faculty Senate Bylaws (G. D. Rayson (A&S))

**Assigned to University Affairs meeting Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Proposition 09-15/16: A Memorial Requesting an Increase in the Scheduled Time between Classes (G. D. Rayson (A&S))

**Assigned to University Affairs meeting Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.**

## 7. Other Business

## i. Aggie Pathway to the Baccalaureate

NMSU is working on what the pathway will look like. A cohort will start at one of our Community Colleges. The intent is for students to spend their first year or two at one of the community colleges and end up at the main campus. Currently asking:

- How will we mesh our four-year programs into a 2+2 or 1+3 structure?
- Can we create alternate degree maps?
- If we can, would we think about having a class or two online?

We are looking for a structure so we can “sell” to the pathway students.

## ii. Board of Regents Higher Ed Resolution

The BoR has approved a Higher Ed Resolution and is presenting it to the Faculty Senate for informational purposes. The BoR is not asking for an endorsement or response. The Resolution will be posted to the Faculty Senate webpage.

## iii. Correspondence Course Review

The HLC has been charged with the responsibility of determining whether online courses can be categorized as Distance Education or Correspondence Courses. Examination is being driven by the Fed. The Department of Education does not approve Title-4 funding for correspondence courses. (Incorrectly called “telecommunications courses” by the Fed.) Classes with a section designation of M70 may be subject to review. A checklist of requisites will be generated. Courses should expect examination by Fall 2016.

## iv. ERB Follow Up

Most requirements will remain as before, but with the following proposed changes:

- All participants/members will contribute to ERB while working.
- Removal of \$15,000 earnings cap
- Changing exception FTE restriction from .25 to .33

## v. Call for nominees: Faculty Grievance Review Board

Need 3 replacements. As there are constraints on who can serve.

## vi. ASNMSU Senate Representative

Still looking for volunteers. SLC Chair Rayson will volunteer if no other volunteers come forward.

## vii. Faculty Senate Chair Nominees

Nominees needed by the December meeting. Nominee must be an elected Senator; cannot be from ACES. Current chair is ineligible to run.

## viii. Approval of November 05, 2015 Faculty Senate meeting agenda.

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

Faculty Affairs Progress Report: Faculty Affairs broken up into 4 subcommittees. Committees are assigned to look at:

1. Generation of policy statement.
2. Issues and procedures for promotion and tenure
3. Annual performance review
4. Allocation of effort.

## 8. Remarks and Announcements

## A. FS Chair, Munson-McGee

See 7.1235 and discussion on P&T policy. Specifically the 3 sections of policy that deal with:

1) Annual performance review 2) P&T policy and 3) Post-tenure review.

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

Policy 6.82 is critical for coming revisions to majors and minors.

Faculty Senate should expect to see several of propositions coming up for review.

## 9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.