

Minutes for the Feb 11, 2025 meeting of the Faculty Senate Budget and Resources Committee

Meeting began at 4:04pm in N128 Skeen Hall and via zoom with a quorum of committee members present.

The following items were addressed.

1. Minutes from the Dec. and Jan meetings were approved.
2. Guests Marshall Parks and Kim Rumford were recognized.
 - a. Marshall Parks provided an overview of HR transitions underway.
 - b. Kim Rumford provided an overview of what is known about Federal actions that may impact NMSU- early days and not much known.
3. Chris Erikson provided an update on IDC task force. Committee work is wrapping up. Current use of IDC by Central admin is pretty much as needed. Not necessarily as faculty might expect (startup, etc.). Central's approach is likely to change little and continue using IDC as needed while making necessary investments in startup and related via other funds. Bottom line is investments that faculty think are connected to IDC must be made, but may not be directly linked to IDC.
4. The committee considered memorials that we could put forward:
 - a. Asking Admin to address the Athletics Department deficit.
 - i. Ask for 3-5 year plan to get AD onto a balanced budget?
 - ii. Action: Unanimous consensus to wait and re-evaluate this memorial next month after Pres. Ferme and upper Admin have time to address evolving Federal funding issues.
 - b. Request that Pres. Ferme and Admin continue the study looking at how admin vs faculty positions have changed over time
 - i. Suggestion- expand memorial to include staff positions, especially admin support staff.
 - ii. Action: Unanimous consensus to wait and re-evaluate this memorial next month after Pres. Ferme and upper Admin have time to address evolving Federal funding issues.
5. The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.