

Curriculum and Planning Committee Minutes of ZOOM Meeting.

Date/Time: January 22nd, 4pm

Chair: Oladayo Bello

Location: ZOOM

Attendance:

- **Present:** 8 committee members.
- **Absent:** 3 committee members unable to attend.
- **Visitors:** Sen. Erikson, Sen. Sharp-Hoskins and Vice Chair Brown
- **Non-senate guest:** Prof. Moire Prescott, Department of Astronomy

Quorum: Achieved.

Discussion:

The committee was tasked with bill **05-25/26**, which proposes the need for the formation of an independent taskforce on the “**Integration of Artificial Intelligence in Pedagogy**” within NMSU system to address the impact of AI on teaching and learning. As stated in the initial bill presented to the Curriculum and Planning committee, the taskforce should:

1. Assess the current and emerging uses of AI by faculty, students, and academic units across the NMSU system.
2. Review national research and best practices concerning AI and student learning, academic integrity, equity, and instructional effectiveness.
3. Develop guidelines and recommendations for the pedagogically appropriate integration of AI in teaching, learning, and assessment.
4. Identify resource needs, professional development opportunities, and infrastructure required to support faculty and students in the effective use of AI.
5. Propose policy, frameworks or revisions that ensure consistent, transparent, and mission-aligned use of AI in academic settings.

The sponsors of the bill visited us to elaborate on the bill. During the discussion, a committee member questioned whether a taskforce is needed given the existence of the Faculty Advisory Committee on Technology (FACT). However, Sen. Erickson explained why an independent taskforce is necessary and Sen. Sharp-Hoskins supported his point, citing instances where FACT had not met expectations as an advisory committee to the Provost.

VC. Brown offered to work with the Provost and the FACT chair to clarify FACT’s role and deliverables, which may include fixing, re-constituting and modifying the committee.

The committee continued with the meeting after the visitors left the room and our deliberation was mainly centered around the following points:

1. We cannot shy away from the fact that AI as a disruptive technology which has brought along benefits, opportunities, challenges and otherwise has come to stay. Thus, the need to integrate AI into teaching and learning in NMSU.
2. How to approach AI implementation, including training students, using AI ethically, and developing guidelines and policy frameworks.
3. Since job descriptions provided in job applications now include the requirement that prospective applicants should be AI fluent or AI literate and at least to be able to use AI ethically, we have to weave AI into our teaching pedagogy so that our students are not left behind.
4. Revising and amending the bill to include additional **whereas clauses** and **charges** (tasks) for the taskforce before voting.
5. The taskforce membership should constitute and have representatives from all the disciplines across the entire NMSU system.

Conclusion

Members agreed to submit individual amendments to the Ms. word version of the bill on the shared drive by Tuesday, January 27, and to vote electronically on Wednesday, January 28. By end of Wednesday, January 28, majority of the committee members voted in favor of passing the bill with the inclusion of the amendments and revisions made by Curriculum and Planning committee members.

Adjournment:

The ZOOM meeting was adjourned at 5.12pm on January 22, 2026.