

NMSU Faculty Senate Leadership Committee (SLC)

Zoom Meeting

Thursday, April 29, 2021, 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. **Recognition of Guests**

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved and seconded to approve agenda.

Senate unanimously approves agenda.

4. **Approval of Minutes of March 25, 2021 meeting**

Moved and seconded to approve minutes.

Senate unanimously approves minutes.

5. **Reports on Legislation**

Proposition 20-20/21: A proposal to modify Faculty Senate's proposition types (Masters (DACC), Sharp-Hoskins (A&S))

Faculty Affairs Committee met on April 13th. Committee recommends "Do Pass."

6. **Proposed Legislation**

Proposition 21-20/21: A Memorial in Honor of Karen Duggan, NMSU-Alamogordo (Cavalcante (NMSU-A), Villaverde (NMSU-A), Roark-Diehl (NMSU-A), Lopez-Gallagher (NMSU-A), Gallagher (NMSU-A), Ricksecker (NMSU-A), Beck (Library), Parra (EDUC))

SLC approves Proposition 21-20/21 to be considered as Emergency Legislation.

Proposition 22-20/21: A Memorial in Honor of Chris Erickson's service to the Faculty Senate (Enomoto (BUS), Guynn (A&S), Brown (A&S), Beck (Library), Parra (EDUC) and others to follow))

SLC approves Proposition 22-20/21 to be considered as Emergency Legislation.

Proposition 23-20/21: Memorial sending best wishes to Neal Rosendorf for a full and rapid recovery (Brown (A&S), Beck (Library), Bronstein (A&S), Garcia Bryce (A&S), Parra (EDUC) and others to follow))

SLC approves Proposition 23-20/21 to be considered as Emergency Legislation.

7. **Other Business**

a. Approval of May 6, 2021 Faculty Senate Agenda

Moved and seconded to approve FS agenda.

Senate Leadership unanimously approves agenda.

b. Standing Committee Reports

Faculty Affairs (James McAteer)

Senator C. Brown chaired the April 13th Faculty Affairs committee meeting on behalf of Chair McAteer. Committee reviewed Proposition 20-20/21 and recommends "Do Pass."

Long Range Planning (Hillary Masters)

The committee met on April 8th and discussed term faculty representation on Faculty Senate. The committee recognizes that many term faculty members are repeatedly rehired and are very interested in NMSU. They recommend to pursue ways that these colleagues are also represented by the Faculty Senate. The distribution of senators will need to be updated and perhaps this may be an appropriate time to include a new voting group.

Scholastic Affairs (Lamaia Vaughn)

Committee did not meet; nothing new to report.

University Affairs (Vimal Chaitanya)

Committee did not meet; nothing new to report.

8. Remarks and Announcements

- **FS Chair Julia Parra**

Chair Parra provided remarks on several topics including summary of the BOR Student Success meeting related to the college merger, reduction in force policy, office hours and office faculty availability policy, renaming of the AAG and the ARP.

Chair Parra also shared the idea of letters of appreciation for senators and also announced that the faculty senate is still searching for a new Parliamentarian.

- **FS Vice-Chair / SLC Chair, Susan Beck**

Vice Chair Beck acknowledged the SLC representatives whose senate terms are ending and thanked them for the incredible work they did this year.

Elections – there are still a couple of slots that need to be filled.

Caucusing to elect SLC representatives and SLC Chair will be done electronically.

Committee selection – Chair Beck sent out a selection form for senators to select their preferred committee that they want to serve on next year.

Senator attendance – discussion regarding senator attendance at senate meetings and ideas to address absenteeism and the idea of sending an attendance letter. A recommendation was made that one of the FS committees take on this conversation to address this issue.

9. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Attendees: S. Beck (SLC Chair), M. Guynn, M. Mapp, K. Sharp-Hoskins, J. McCarty, C. Flinchbaugh, P. Gray, S. Stochaj, T. Chappell, G. Villaverde, M. Burkhardt, S. Noe, J. McAteer, H. Masters, L. Vaughn, V. Chaitanya

Ex-Officio: J. Parra (FS Chair)

Guests: J. Bronstein, C. Brown

Absent: S. Hanson