

## NMSU Faculty Senate Leadership Committee (FSLC)

March 28, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

Zoom

### Minutes

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 4:04pm
2. **Recognition of Guests - None**
3. **Approval of Agenda**  
Moved and seconded to approve agenda.  
Senate Leadership approved agenda.
4. **Approval of Minutes of February 29, 2024 meeting**  
Senator VanLeeuwed proposes a friendly amendment to be added to the Present list where she was not listed and did attend.  
Moved and seconded to approve minutes with the friendly amendment.  
Minutes approved and submitted.
5. **Reports on Legislation** – Proposition's 03,04,05,06,07,08 – 23/24  
Update on the Propositions, they all have been looked at from administration and can be accessed on the [FS website](#).
6. **Proposed Legislation** –  
Proposition 10-23/24 – Resolution Two-year contracts for temporary part-time faculty and allow and support them to be PIs for grants. Jamie Bronstein (A&S), Ilhuiyolitzin Villicana Pedraza (DACC) Senator Bronstein gave a brief explanation of the proposition, where she mentions that Senator Pedraza teaches at DACC and they're some other contingent faculty who are on DEI committee as well. Apparently, you can be Co-Pi but can't be Lead-Pi, if you only have a 1-year contract and she was requesting that the rules be changed or people to be offered 2-year contract that way they can apply to be Lead-Pi on grants. Proposition assigned to Research and Creative Activity committee.  
  
Proposition 11-23/24 - Revision to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate of New Mexico State University: Gaylene Fassenko (ACES)  
**Proposed Committee:** Budget and Resources  
Chair Fassenko gave a brief comment on the proposition, where she encouraged everyone to look at the Constitution and give input. Proposition is assigned to Budget and Resources committee.  
  
Proposition 12-23/24 - Revision to the Bylaws of the Faculty Senate of New Mexico State University: Gaylene Fassenko (ACES)  
**Proposed Committee:** Curriculum & Programming  
Proposition is assigned to Curriculum & Programming.
7. **Other Business**
  - a. Approval of April 4, 2024 Faculty Senate Agenda  
Moved and seconded to approve agenda.  
Senate Leadership approved agenda.
  - b. Standing Committee Reports  
**Budget and Resources** – Vimal Chaitanya, Chair

Committee met on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Chair Chaitanya reported that the committee had the opportunity to talk about having some kind transparency in terms of where the overhead money is going. Report will soon be up on the FS website.

**Faculty Success** – Glenn Duff, Chair

Committee met on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Chair Duff reported that the committee did not have any propositions to discuss, but that was soon after the failed search for the President and the committee talked about the lack of transparency or just information to the faculty on the search processes. The other topic that was discussed was ethics point. Discussion followed. [Full report on FS website.](#)

**Curriculum and Programming** – Gus Piña, Chair

Committee met on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Chair Piña was not available to give the report and Senator Sandstrom stepped up and reported that the committee had a chance to chat since they didn't have any propositions to discuss and ended the meeting early. [Full report on FS website.](#)

**Research and Creative Activity** – Taryn Price, Chair

Chair Price was not available to give the report and Senator Beck and Senator Badawy reported that Dr. Cifuentes was a guest at their meeting and talked about IDC.

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion** – Jaime Bronstein, Chair

Chair Bronstein reported that the committee worked on the proposition and the full report on the [FS website.](#)

**Student Success** – Tawny Aguirre, Chair

Chair Aguirre reported that they had Marissa Fowler, Tony Marin and Ryan Goss as guests at their committee meeting. They explained the process for waiving a FLIP course for a Viewing the Wider World class and a lot more information that can be found on the report on the website. They also talked about the ARP 4.46, authorized absences from classes. [Full report on FS website.](#)

- Discussion on policy review
  - ARP 6.62 Faculty Assignments – Summer Session
  - ARP 8.65 Emeritus Status
  - ARP 9.25 [Pre-AY 18/19] Faculty Promotions and Tenure Policies
  - SRP 9.35 [Effective AY 18/19] Faculty Promotions and Tenure Reviews: Procedural Guidelines and Timeline

Discussion followed by Senate Leadership, and they will be asking for more time on the policies.

- Faculty Senate election process
  - There was discussion about voting and information on how to handle the elections.
- Discussion about the previous Provost's departure from NMSU.
  - Discussion followed. Senate Leadership would just like more transparency on some of these topics.

## 8. Remarks and Announcements

- FS Chair Gaylene Fassenko

None

- FS Vice-Chair Vimal Chaitanya

Vice Chair Chaitanya made a quick comment on the elected Senators. Especially this year, we need Senators who have interest and have the ability to put time and their mind into it as well. Also thanking the Senators that are cycling off and the ones going on sabbatical, for all they did.

**9. Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

**Present:** FS Chair G. Fasenko, FS Vice Chair V. Chaitanya, D. VanLeeuwen, S. Beck, H. Badawy, J. Bronstein, T. Aguirre, G. Piña, G. Duff, A. Lanasa, J. Sandstrom, E. Lehnhoff.