

**Faculty Senate Chair Report for 11 January 2018 Senate Meeting**  
**Submitted 9 January 2018 by Senate Chair Christopher Brown**

- **AAG Meeting in January 2018** – we again had limited action for the AAG, and the items we handled are noted below:
  - **ARP 15.62 –Protection of Federal Information; FISMA Compliance** – This change to the ARP deals with the manner by which NMSU handles federally protected information. This is driven by federal rules, and failure to comply threatens our federal funding. Rolfe and I both felt admin track was warranted.
  - **ARP 15.63 – Protection of Customer Information; GLBA Compliance** – This is a proposed rule revision to align ARP with federal regulation (Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act) dealing with how institutions hold consumer data. Students are considered consumers as regards their payment of tuition, and failure to comply with this federal law threatens our federal funding. This was also sent to the Administrative Track, and I do not think the Senate is included on the routing.
  - **Proposed Repeal of RPM 2.10 ~ Modifying Non-Academic Units.”** - This policy duplicates the same provisions in the ARP at 2.10, and this repeal is just “housecleaning” related to the larger ARP/RPM revision process. This was also sent to the Administrative Track, and I do not think the Senate is included on the routing.
  
- **ADC meeting, 12.18.17** – no formal action was taken on new or unfinished business, and the information items discussed included:
  - Conflict of Interest/Commitment with external teaching ,
  - NMSU Fees,
  - Differential Tuition Models, with special focus on nursing degrees,
  - Student Success Committee Items, and
  - Regents funds for Career Services (\$50k) and Experiential Learning (\$100K).
  
- **UAC meetings** – No unfinished business was on the 1.9.18 agenda, and discussion was limited to regular reports from attendees, several information items, and the following new business:
  - **Revision to ARP 15.62** – Protection of Federal Information; FISMA Compliance [Norma Grijalva or Carlos Lobato]
  - **Revision to ARP 15.63** – Protection of Customer Information; GLBA Compliance [Norma Grijalva or Carlos Lobato]
  - **Repeal of two policies from RPM**, based on duplication with ARP [Liz Ellis or Lisa Warren] – both were handled on an expedited basis:
    - 2.10, Non-Academic Units – Creating, Reorganizing, Relocating, Eliminating [will remain in effect at ARP 2.10]
    - 6.35, Mandatory Employee Training and Other Professional Development Opportunities [will remain in effect at ARP 6.89]

- **Regents meeting** – The agenda for the 12.8.17 Regents meeting is available at <https://regents.nmsu.edu/files/2013/07/BOR-Regular-Meeting-Agenda-Dec-08-2017.pdf>.

The following major points were covered:

- **Recognition was given for the Domenici Scholars Program** by EVPP Daniel Howard and VP for Economic Development Kevin Boberg. Senator Rosendorf was instrumental in the success of this program; thanks to Senator Resendorf for his good work.
- **Land Sale to the NMSU Foundation** was covered by Scott Eschenbrenner, Chief Executive Officer of Aggie Development Corporation, and approved by the BoR.
- **Changes to Non-Resident Tuition** were presented by Executive Vice President and Provost Daniel Howard, and approved by the BoR.
- **Executive Search** - Little formal mention was made of the Executive Search, but I did ask for an update on when the position description, hiring criteria, and listening sessions slides would be posted. Chair Hicks advised this was “in the works,” and I will follow up on this.

**Update on the Executive Search** - Since the Search Committee was announced at the 11.13.17 Regents meeting that was held during the HLC visit, I have asked both Chair Hicks and Natalie Kellner numerous times when the position description, hiring criteria, and listening sessions slides would be posted. To date, I have received no response from Chair Hicks. At the 1.9.18 UAC meeting, Natalie did note that these should be posted by the start of Spring term. I invite any Faculty Senator so inclined to send a direct inquiry to Chair Hicks asking when these important documents will be posted ([regents@nmsu.edu](mailto:regents@nmsu.edu)).

Thanks for your interest in this report. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at [brownchr@nmsu.edu](mailto:brownchr@nmsu.edu).