

# NMSU Faculty Senate Chair Report

Report for August 2020, by Julia Parra

## Assignment Advisory Group (AAG) meetings

- Nothing to report at this time.

## Academic Deans Council (ADC) meetings

- *Curriculum/Program analysis tool, Gray's Associates Program Evaluation System Plus - attending some of the trainings*
- *Delaware Study, ACAD Productivity Index (I didn't learn about this at the Dean's meeting, but it would have been discussed at one of these meetings; I learned about this at a department meeting August 28, saw the Performance & Productivity graphs, have you all seen your graphs?)*
- *Academic Scorecard and weights to include Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will be developed at the College levels.*
- Proposal to reinstate the option for students to take graduate courses as non-degree seeking students.

## University Administrative Council (UAC) meetings

- Attended August 11, 2020; see the [University Administrative Council](#) site for minutes and UAC information
- The President thanked everyone asked for all to convey gratitude to their constituents
- Presentations: Immigration & Higher Education, and Overview of Title IX Regulation Changes Impacting NMSU was a key item

## Board of Regents (BoR) meetings - See the [Board of Regents](#) site for Notices, Agendas, and Binders

- July 18: Approved the Master of Science Athletic Training Program; presented and passed the Revised Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
- Special Meetings: August 27 & September 2 [closed sessions re: competitive sealed proposal solicited pursuant to the Procurement Code during the contract negotiation process. NMSA 1978, Sec 10-15-1 (H) (6) a. Auxiliary Services – Comprehensive Hospitality and Facilities Services P3 (RFP #: 2020-RFP-1883)]
- Upcoming Board of Regents Meetings: September 18, 2020 & December 2, 2020

## Other items and activities

- **Weekly Rapid Response Team:** attended weekly meetings, see <https://ready.nmsu.edu/>
- **Faculty Experience Tiger Team:** I led a couple but then THANK YOU to Michael Mapp for agreeing to Lead this team!
- **Faculty Q&A: Return to Campus** - Co-Hosted with Provost Parker and Senator Michael Mapp on August 10 & 17
- **Digital Learning Readiness Faculty Spotlight Workshops** - July 15, July 22, July 29, August 5
- **Three Fall Faculty Surveys** - Constitution edits - passed 57 For, 6 against; Faculty Grievances Review Board Elections - survey is out; Next is Proposition 18-19/20 as amended - system-wide survey to poll faculty on differential grading
- **Met with Executive Director for OIE, Laura Castille and Vice Provost of Digital Learning Initiatives, Sherry Kollmann** - they will be guests at October 3 meeting
- **University Budget Committee Meeting:** Research and Public Service Project (RPSP) Presentations and Ranking
- **Goal Team 3 Meeting** - A Conference for Extension and Outreach is being planned for December
- **Met with Administration (President Floros & Provost Parker):** May 28, June 24, July 21, August 31, in our last meeting we agreed faculty voice is needed at the table for discussions/decisions regarding Budget & Restructuring; worked with Vice Chair Beck to set up NMSU Faculty Advisory Council on Budget & Restructuring, see the italicised items in ADC Meetings, those are some of the data sources this Council will be involved with.

## Next Meetings

The remaining full senate meetings for Fall 2020 are:

Thursday, October 1, 4:00-5:30 - We will provide a 3pm session to discuss Propositions

Thursday, November 5, 4:00-5:30

Thursday, December 3, 4:00-5:30

Committees and September Meetings:

Faculty Affairs: Tuesday, Sept. 8

Long Range Planning: Thursday, Sept. 10

Scholastic Affairs: Tuesday, Sept. 15

University Affairs: Thursday, Sept. 17

Of note, there is a calendar on the [NMSU Faculty Senate](#) site but you need to be logged in to your VPN. Any committee chair needing help with Zoom, please contact me. I am happy to host for you.

All meetings start at 4pm and will be held virtually in Zoom for Fall 2020. Senators, when you enter, please rename and include Senator to the beginning of your name. Anyone coming in with a phone number, please identify yourself and get help editing your name.

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*Thank you for your continued investment in the work of the [NMSU Faculty Senate](#). If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please email Julia Parra at [juparra@nmsu.edu](mailto:juparra@nmsu.edu) or call 575.646-1767 or email Susan Beck at [susabeck@nmsu.edu](mailto:susabeck@nmsu.edu) or call at 575-640-0072.*