

UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO BOARD OF REGENTS'
ACADEMIC/STUDENT AFFAIRS & RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, February 6, 2014 1:00 p.m., Scholes Hall, Roberts Room

SUMMARY OF MEETING

A recorded version of this meeting is available upon [request](#)

Committee members present: Regent Bradley Hosmer, Regent Suzanne Quillen, Regent Heidi Overton, (by telephone), Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Chaouki Abdallah, Faculty Senate President Richard Holder, Staff Council President Gene Henley

Regents' Advisors present: ASUNM President Isaac Romero, GPSA President Priscila Poliana, and Professor Melissa Bokovoy

I. Call to Order

Regent Hosmer called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

II. Approval of Summarized Minutes from Previous Meeting: (December 5, 2013)

Motion for approval of the minutes was made by Provost Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Reports/Comments:

A. Provost's Administrative Report

Chaouki Abdallah, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is closing 10 sub-centers including one here at UNM and one at HSC. It will take 5 years to close. A discussion will occur on these plans. This is a big loss for UNM.

Report on active searches:

Dean of Libraries

Good pool of finalists.

Anderson School of Management Dean

Committee has recommended 4 candidates who will visit the campus.

College of Education

The search has been extended to mid-March. There are some strong candidates for this position.

A meeting was held with CNM to discuss initiatives to facilitate transfer of students and that UNM is moving away from IS courses. UNM is going to start an Early Start and Stretch program rather than IS courses. There will be no remedial English courses scheduled in the fall. Both UNM and CNM will be sharing data and designing a path for the success of students whether they start at CNM or UNM.

B. Member and Advisor Comments

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate passed the policy that lowers the hourly requirement for baccalaureate degrees from 128 to 120. Disciplines will be encouraged to view their curriculums.

Faculty is interested in the Innovate ABQ, more specifically the academic portion and is most interested in Innovation Academy.

Faculty salaries continue to be an issue. As the economy seems to be improving nationally, it is important that the university recognize this and investigate salary increases for faculty.

GPSA

President Poliana reports that joint work with ASUNM for the university to develop a new user friendly online billing platform.

GPSA is re-branding and office renovation. A new logo is being created.

IV. Approval Items:

A. Approval of C969 – New Bookkeeping Certificate – Gallup

Motion for conditional approval was made by Staff Council President Gene Henley, seconded by Provost Chaouki Abdallah. Conditional approval pending submission of additional information and satisfaction of all members.

B. Approval of AIMS (Albuquerque Institute for Mathematics and Science) West Side Needs Assessment and Acknowledgement of the Budget Proposal

Motion for approval to accept the assessment was made by Provost Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Assessment to be presented at the March meeting.

C. Endorsement of Proposed Budget and Fees Policy Recommendations

i. Option of guaranteed constant (flat) tuition and fees

Motion to endorse option of guaranteed constant (flat) tuition and fees approval was made by Faculty Senate President Richard Holder, seconded by Provost Chaouki Abdallah. Motion passed unanimously.

ii. Role of the student fee review board and student fees in the UNM budget presentations

Motion to endorse the role of the student fee review board was made by Provost Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Motion passed unanimously.

iii. Development of a planning budget for the future

Motion to endorse the development of a planning budget for the future was made by Provost Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Information Items:

A. STEM Up Grants

The STEM UP grant is a Title V grant funded for five years in the amount of \$3,473,005 by the Department of Education and authorized under Title III, Part F, Section 371 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended, Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) STEM and Articulation Program Cooperative

GOALS:

- 1) Increase the number of Hispanic and/or low-income students attaining degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering or mathematics
- 2) Develop model transfer and articulation agreements between two year Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) and 4 year institutions in such fields

Objectives (5)

Increase STEM Enrollment

Increase STEM Retention of first time full time students at CNM and UNM

Increase Associate Degrees in STEM (CNM)

Increase Bachelors Degrees in STEM (UNM)

Decrease federal cost of undergraduate degrees for Hispanic and Low income students utilizing STEM UP project services

UNM Internal collaborations

- Academic Affairs and STEM Academic Departments
- Enrollment Management
- Division of Student Affairs
- UNM Academic Advising

CNM Internal collaboration

- Academic Affairs and School of Math Science and Engineering
- Enrollment Management
- Institution Tutoring Services (Assistance Centers for Education – ACE)
- CNM Academic Advising

STEM Gateway

Funded by the US Department of Education

Hispanic serving institutions

Recently completed second year of a five year program

Four main components

Course Reform – faculty led reform projects
Peer Learning Facilitators – undergraduate students placed large lecture classrooms.
Imbedded tutors collaborating with instructors to provide active learning opportunities.
Program Courses- specially designed seminar courses that assist pre-STEM students prepare for their degree programs.
Research – institutional research projects into the STEM student experience.

Of all STEM bachelor's degree earners in 2010-11, 41% completed at least one pre-calculus mathematics course at UNM.

B. Curriculum/Initiatives Annual Update
Complete report available upon request.

Early Implementation and Related Efforts
Student One-Stop: Student Academic Success Office
New Student Orientation Redesign
MaLL and English Stretch & Studio
Financial Competency Curricula in First-Year Seminars
Doubled Number of FLCs
Center for Teaching Excellence
Volunteer Academic Coaching Program
LoboAchieve – standard campus-wide advising tool and early alert system

C. Academic Personnel Update

Update of the plans for Academic Personnel
Faculty Administrator Support and Professional Development
Hiring and Contracting
Tactic: Align FCSO with existing Banner resources for greater efficiency
Establish separate processes for Regular vs. Temporary faculty appointments
Faculty Handbook & UAP Policy Monitoring & Reconciliation
Phase I: Review of Faculty Benefits Section (Sec. C.)
Review/Modernization of Faculty Appointments & Titles
Needed to facilitate more research, interdisciplinary appointments
Working with Faculty Senate, OVPR and University Secretary
Analytics
Goal: Greater granularity of Banner data for more sophisticated reporting

D. Faculty Development Update

Mentoring, Tenure and Promotion, Performance Metrics
Teaching Initiatives
Community Engagement
Mandelman Ribak Foundation Gift

E. Research Update

OVPR Website - During the Fall 2013 semester a working group was formed to review and develop a new OVPR website. The site is now being reviewed by constituent groups and should be fully deployed by February 1, 2014.

Sandia Lab/UNM Joint Hire - The Joint Search Committee has completed interviews with 3 finalists for the joint hire opportunity in Materials Science & Engineering.

Office of Sponsored Projects - Office of Sponsored Projects (OSP) has a new director and organizational structure. The staff has been organized by teams assigned to various campus units and the contract negotiation process has been streamlined.

Main Campus Compliance Office - The Main Campus compliance office is now fully consolidated (IRB, COI, Export Control, and Industrial Security). In particular, the IRB function has now fully transitioned back to on Main Campus. Proposal processing greatly reduced: now under 30 days for full review. Currently awaiting new software implementation (IRBnet). Due in early March.

Research Retreat - The OVPR hosted a productive retreat with the ADR/CD, its advisory committee (which consists of Associate Deans of Research, Center Directors, and Faculty Senate Research Policy Committee). The retreat resulted in a new cost recovery distribution model.

Research Collaboration - Good progress has been on the development of the New Mexico Collaborative Research and Development Council. The next steps are getting the three working groups together (leadership, contracts/grants and researchers) this Spring.

Endowed Chairs - Carlos Romero is working with UNM chairs and deans in response to Governor Martinez' endowed chair initiative.

- F. Recommendation from Graduate and Professional Student Association on Tuition Block Model

Presentation was given on ideas for Tuition Block Models as it pertains to Graduate Students.

VI. Faculty Presenter:

- A. Arts in Medicine -

Patrice Repar, Associate Professor, Departments of Music and Internal Medicine Director, Arts-in-Medicine Program

Presentation on Arts in Medicine was given. Arts in Medicine engage people in their own healing process through creative encounters.

VII. Public Comment

None

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Provost, Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m.