

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO BOARD OF REGENTS'  
ACADEMIC/STUDENT AFFAIRS & RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Thursday, July 31, 2014 1:00 p.m., Roberts Room, Scholes Hall

**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, Provost & Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Chaouki Abdallah, Faculty Senate President Pamela Pyle and Staff Council President, Renee Delgado Riley

***Regents' Advisors present:*** ASUNM Representative Jenna Hagenruber and GPSA Representative Wayne Thorp

**I. Call to Order**

Regent Hosmer called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

**II. Approval of Agenda and Summarized Minutes from Previous Meeting:**  
*(June 5, 2014)*

**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*

First joint hire for Sandia National Labs has been completed and there are a few more expected.

New Director of Assessment has been hired to replace Tom Root.

Currently searching for Vice-President for Research. Current Vice-President, Mike Dougher is serving his last year.

Upcoming Year:

Preparing for the HLC Accreditation - currently five years away but in the next year we will officially start collecting data and begin running models in advance.

Innovation Academy, a component of Innovate ABQ, is moving along. A few open forums for faculty and consultants to discuss the future and visions of the program are currently being scheduled.

Restarting the process for ROM budgeting. A few models have been started in hopes to adopt a new model for the way the budget system functions.

UNM Faculty are being engaged in the international initiatives, which is being pushed by the China initiative. A few meetings are being planned to cover, from the academic point of view, what kind of programs and degrees should be offered.

A multi-year budgeting process is in full swing.

Multi-year hiring plans from the colleges are being reviewed. No new positions will be created past what was previously committed..

Student Success Plans:

Currently student success is being measured by graduation rate and retention. Quality metrics are in the process of being finalized and should be finished by early September. They will be used to measure our effectiveness as a research public university. The Academic Plan is the underlying guide of all of this.

b. Member Comments

From Pamela Pyle, Faculty Senate President

Regent Jamie Koch was brought into the School of Architecture and Planning to meet the students and be more involved with the School. He then brought this knowledge back to the Board of Regents with very valuable information. The goal was to try to get the student body to see the Regents in a more personal manner. The next Regent visit is planned for the School of Engineering.

c. Advisor Comments

Wayne Thorp, GPSA Representative

Orientation Super Squad was created in attempts to reach out to the different departments and give the students an opportunity to gain a better UNM experience.

Jenna Hagengruber, ASUNM Representative

“Start by Believing,” is a campaign being headed by both ASUNM and GPSA on behalf of stopping sexual violence against women. The goal is to present this to the Legislature in the Spring of 2015.

Student Regent nomination process will be underway in the next month.

**IV. Action Items:**

- a. Approval of Research and Public Service Projects Funding Submissions to the Higher Education Department

**Motion for approval for the Research and Public Service Projects Funding Submissions to the Higher Education Department was made by Provost**

**Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Suzanne Quillen. Motion passed unanimously.**

**V. Information Items:**

a. UNM Student Segments

Six Major Student Segments are relevant to the enrollment plan as well as the future strategy to meet the goals of UNM 2020. This is about changes in student populations that institutions will have to realize and understand in order to survive in the market place.

- Aspiring Academics
- Career Starters
- Coming of Age Students
- Career Accelerators
- Industry Switchers
- Academic Wanderers

Main point of the presentation is nationally 26% of university undergraduate students are over the age of 26 and the University of New Mexico's is 18%.

b. Main Campus Academic Affairs Major Capital Priorities

Major Capital Priorities Overview

1. Farris Engineering Building Renovation – Dean Joseph Cecchi

This building is home to half of the six departments in the engineering department, housing many degrees that prepare students for life long success. Graduate enrollment has exceeded the undergraduate enrollment. These programs also work with countless other programs including Arts and Sciences as well as the Anderson School of Management. Issues: Fire and Safety Code Violations, Unresolved roof leaks, outdated designs which are incompatible for research, other safety and sustainability concerns, and maintenance concerns.

2. Interdisciplinary Sciences Building – Dean Mark Peceny

The biggest concerns is keeping faculty with decent and outstanding facilities, as well as insure that in the future hiring future faculty is not an issue because of the facilities. The current state of the facilities is not up to par. Capacity has been reached for how far the department can take itself with the given facilities. Issues: Poor air conditioning and cracking stucco, sewage pipe leaks into labs, decaying building materials, fixed water leaks, destroyed equipment, countless safety concerns.

3. Anderson School of Management Replacement – Interim Dean Craig White

The facilities that Anderson currently hosts many different events and works with many outside sources to give back to small business and surrounding area in NM through education and well trained personnel. The Needs: Office space, allow Anderson to hire new faculty - there are about 45 adjunct faculty share office space, Graduate Assistants are also all sharing office space, classroom spaces are not modernized to compare against competing schools, EMBA students have deemed the Anderson School as “unprofessional” based on the available facilities.

VI. **Faculty Presenter:**

- A. Missing Links’ and the War of the Worlds in Tiguex (1540-1542)  
*Clay Mathers, PhD, RPA, GISP, Executive Director, The Coronado Institute*

VII. **Public Comment:**

(none)

VIII. **Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Provost Chaouki Abdallah, seconded by Regent Heidi Overton. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.**