

NEW MEXICO INSTITUTE OF MINING AND TECHNOLOGY

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Workman 101 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

(Prepared by Lyndsey Lewis with corrections by David Raymond)

1. Call to order and approval of minutes

Chair Dave Raymond called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm with a call for approval of the May 8, 2015 minutes.

Dr. Bill Stone moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Hamdy Soliman. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Short announcements

1. Introduction of new faculty and staff

- a. Dr. Warren Ostergren introduced Dr. Kevin Wedeward as the new Dean of Engineering and Dr. Peter Mozley as the new Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs.
- b. Dr. Kevin Wedeward introduced Dr. Aly El-Osery as the new Electrical Engineering Department Chair.
- c. Dr. Penny Boston introduced Dr. Chloe Bonamici, Dr. Jesus Gomez-Velez, and Dr. Andrew Luhmann as part of the Earth and Environmental Science Department.
- d. Dr. Steve Simpson introduced Dr. Taylor Dotson as part of the CLASS department.
- e. Dr. Mark Samuels introduced Dr. Taffeta Elliott as part of the Psychology department.
- f. Dr. Dongwan Shin introduced Dr. Rita Kuo and Dr. Ramyaa as part of the Computer Science and Engineering Department.
- g. Dr. Corey Leclerc introduced Dr. Sanchari Chowdhury as part of the Petroleum Engineering Department and Dr. Jiajing Lin as part of the Chemical Engineering Department.
- h. Dr. Ivan Avramidi introduced Dr. Andrew Phillips and Dr. Mingji Zhang as part of the Mathematics department.
- i. Sara Grijalva introduced Patience Lynman as the new Assistant Registrar.
- j. Melissa Jaramillo-Fleming introduced Kathryn Fleming as the new counselor in the Counseling and Disabilities office.
- k. President Lopez introduced Randy Saavedra as the Affirmative Action Director and the Clery/Title IX Coordinator for NMT. President Lopez noted that the Clery Act as part of the Title IX requires the university to monitor the sexual behavior of our students on and off campus. If something happens off campus it is our responsibility to report it and take actions to try to remediate it. Randy Saavedra explained some steps we are taking to prevent any inci-

dents from happening. NMT is being proactive and has met with UNM to see what problems they have done. All incoming students were trained on sexual assault or sexual discrimination during Orientation last month. There will be upcoming faculty and staff trainings on September 10 and 11 that everyone should attend. Also, campus authorities for NMT have been identified and trained. Notify Randy Saavedra if you see any issues.

2. Career fair – Tristine Hayward, Michael Voegerl

Tristine Hayward announced that the Career Fair will be held two weeks from today on September 15 from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm in the Fidel Ballroom with over 40 companies in attendance. Most of them will be holding information sessions and interviews. In two days, Intel will be on campus holding a resume writing workshop. Tristine asked faculty to encourage their students to attend.

3. OSL Teaching Tea Time – Lisa Majkowski, Julie Ford

Dr. Julie Ford announced that the OSL Teaching Tea Time will be held every other Thursday afternoon from 3:30 – 4:30 pm in the CITL. These are faculty lead sessions that are informal. Dr. Ford noted that they will be posting ideas and sharing these with others.

4. Note from Chair: Regents' forum on presidential search will be this Thursday, September 3, 2015, with faculty sessions at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

5. Presidential Search Committee – Richard Sonnenfeld

Dr. Sonnenfeld encouraged everyone to attend the Presidential Search Forums on Thursday September 3. Dr. Sonnenfeld noted that the search committee has been formed with himself and Dr. Michaelann Tartis as the two faculty members on this committee. Dr. Sonnenfeld will be attending all meetings on Thursday listening to the community to hear what is wanted in our next President. For those individuals who are not able to attend, comments and feedback will be accepted online.

6. Research Coffee Hour – Michael Hargather

Dr. Michael Hargather announced that the Research Coffee hour will be held on Fridays at noon in the CITL. This is a faculty led group that will discuss research opportunities, review grants, and work on proposals.

3. Senate Committee Reports

1. Computing on Campus/CTC Committee – Joe Franklin

Joe Franklin gave an update on the conversion of email. The email on campus is being consolidated into the Google environment. The status of this is that there is a compliance issue by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR). The essence of this is that you can't have ITAR regulated email on the server outside of the United States. Google servers are not guaranteed to be in the United States. A separate on-campus email server will be created for ITAR-related business. A training program will also be created on how to handle ITAR-related issues.

2. Nominating Committee – Mark Samuels, Snezna Rogelj

Dr. Mark Samuels presented the list of committee nominations. These nominations were moved and approved by the Senate. The first person on the list for each commit-

tee should organize the first meeting and let Dr. Dave Raymond know who is elected chair. Nominations were announced for Senate officers: David Raymond as Chair, Steve Simpson as Vice-Chair, and Brian Borchers as Parliamentarian. No additional nominations from the floor were received. Voting will take place at the October meeting.

4. Report of Council of Chairs

5. Report of Graduate Council

Dr. Lorie Liebrock announced that there will be an Engineering Ph.D. proposal brought forward at the upcoming meeting.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

Dr. Michelle Creech-Eakman stated that there are 50 plus cameras on campus that are recording us. Dr. Creech-Eakman noted that there are no video surveillance signs posted. She would like to know if there is audio, how long this is kept, and what is the purpose.

President Lopez explained that cameras outside in previous years were used to monitor who was coming in and out of buildings due to an increase in burglaries. Now with the Federal regulations and trying to be proactive, we want to protect our students. For example, where students work late hours, security cameras can prevent or come to the assistance to those who are in trouble. The video is kept in the event there is a burglary to find the person responsible. President Lopez will have campus security put up signs so everyone is aware of the video surveillance.

Joe Franklin noted that Gold has cameras due to the computers in the building. The video is kept for 30 days.

8. Discussion

9. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm by unanimous decision.