

Faculty Senate Business Council

Minutes

Meeting Date and Place: Wednesday, 2/11/16, 1:00 pm,
Zimmerman Library, Herzstein Latin American Reading Room

Members Present: Fran Wilkinson and Jon Wheeler.

Members Excused: Carol Bernhard, Lee Brown, Steven Yourstone, Janie Chermack and Ann Brooks.

Members Absent:

Minutes: Dennis Dunn, Office of the University Secretary.

	Subject	Notes	Follow-Up
1	<p>The Meeting (Fran Wilkinson)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fran Wilkinson began the meeting at 1:10pm. Since quorum was not met the agenda and minutes could not be approved. Members who could not attend this meeting were excused due to prior commitments. <p>Budget Committee Report (Fran Wilkinson, from a report submitted by Budget Committee chair, Ann Brooks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Faculty Senate passed the revised Budget Committee survey; • The Budget Committee is working with the Provost and the UNM Secretary's Office to get the survey into a survey tool and out to faculty. Hopefully within the next week or two; • In February Andrew Cullen, UNM Budget Office, gave a Budget Overview to committee members to make sure all members have a basic understanding of the UNM Budget. He will repeat this presentation on February 15, 2016, for Budget Committee members who could not attend his first presentation; • In March, Andrew will discuss how revenues are broken out and what expenditures are covered by each revenue; • In March and April, the Budget Committee will review the survey results and assimilate the information and create a plan on any items needing to be followed up. <p>Information Technology Use Committee Report (Jon Wheeler):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee contributed to the IT survey process in December and are ready to assist in any additional work as required; • The committee has heard from Academic Technologies regarding Evaluation Kit. They discussed how to improve response rates; • The issue of email ownership is still an ongoing item for the committee. Jon will present at the Faculty Senate Operations Committee, March 1, 2016, on the issue of email ownership. Beginning around spring break Jon hopes to meet with as many email stakeholders as possible to discuss the ownership issue. The results of these meetings will be issued in draft form in April with a 30 day comment period. <p>Faculty & Staff Benefits Committee Report (Fran Wilkinson)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee is currently monitoring the health insurance inflation at UNM which will represent an increase on July 1, 2016 (the beginning of FY17); • The committee had a presentation from Dr. Schade and Dr. Phil Eaton regarding a coronary artery calcium screening test that is currently not covered by UNM health insurance, but is more cost effective than other tests that are currently covered for coronary disease. Elaine Phelps, Human Resources, is looking into how to add this test to UNM health insurance prior to the next RFP; • The Retiree Association will be having its Health Fair on March 12, 2016. Additional information about the Health Fair will be provided at a later date. • Marcia Sletten provided a report on work of the Johnson Gym Center Remodel Committee. A PowerPoint on the history of the project planning dating back to 2008 was helpful to the committee members as they move forward with planning. \$35 million has been set aside for the project: much work is needed on infrastructure for the facility, the students and other groups presented President Frank with a wish list, a phased approach will be used. UNM Planning Department has hired a consultant and an RFP for architectural services will be issued in summer 2016. 	

		<p>Government Relations Committee Report (Lea Brown submitted a report on his legislative visit):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lee Brown, Pamela Pyle, and two additional representative from the Health Sciences Center traveled up to Santa Fe to meet with members of the state legislature to promote UNM; • Lee reported that they met privately with 6 legislators (1 senator and 5 representatives) for between 15 and 30 minutes; • They participated in a meeting the lasted over an hour with the Governor’s Chief of Staff, Keith Gardner, in the Cabinet Room; • In each meeting they concentrated on the two priorities given to them by Vanessa Hawker (HSC) and Matt Munoz (Main Campus) which was basically the issue of replacing the Physics and Astronomy building; • Another issue brought up with Keith Gardner and Representative Jeff Steinborn was the appointing of a member of the UNM faculty, or retired faculty, to the UNM Board of Regents. Representative Steinborn showed interest in following up on this issue; • And Pamela Pyle received positive feedback from several legislators, and from Keith Gardner, on her “Faculty Within Borders” concept for UNM faculty to participate in outreach to rural New Mexico. <p>Campus Development Advisory Committee (CDAC) (Report on campus projects taken from the November 30, 2015 CDAC minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Box Car Food Service Unit – This project will provide food services for the Engineering Sector of the UNM campus and will be located on an unused space next to the Ferris Engineering Building. It will provide sandwiches, burritos and drinks, along with other food items and will be housed in a converted storage container; • Health Science Center Education Building, Phase III – This project will be located at the intersection of Tucker and Stanford, on the north UNM campus and is a three story building. This will be an extension of the existing building and will provide much needed additional classroom space and will be the location of the new Pharmacy Lab. There will also be a Food Service Center and a gym on the second floor; • Farris Engineering Center – This is a project that has been in the works for many years. The building will be completely gutted down to the frame and re-built with new wet labs in the basement. A new entrance will be created along with better handicapped accessibility; • Anderson School of Management – An architect for this project was selected last week, though details of this selection cannot be released at this time. Although this is another 1960’s era building, and due to its current structure not being compliant to today’s standards, the look of this building does not add to the overall look of the campus and it will be redesigned. This will make the building competitive with other business schools around the country. The design process will begin in early 2016; • Campus Planning & Circulation Study – This project will involve most of the southern side of the UNM campus along Central Avenue and will affect projects like the new Physics & Astronomy Building, which will be located wither the old Yale Pump House/Reservoir is now located. This project is being initiated due to the City of Albuquerque’s Rapid Transit plan to create a bus lane down the center of Central Avenue. This project is an ongoing study. Do to this Rapid Transit plan UNM is looking at normalizing entry points to the campus along Central Avenue. There are many stakeholders involved in this process, including the UNM Bookstore, Popejoy Hall, Athletics and the future Physics & Astronomy Building; • Physics & Astronomy Interdisciplinary Science Building – The original Physics & Astronomy building is over 50 years old and the department can no longer fulfill its academic mission due to the difficulty of conducting experiments because of traffic at the corner of Lomas & Yale. Since the current building has no historical significance it will be completely torn down at a cost of \$2 million due to the extensive remediation that will be required. The new building will be constructed on the site of the old city water reservoir, located on Redondo Drive, at Yale & Central; • Smith Plaza/Union Square – This project, the plaza located between Zimmerman Library and the Student Union Building (SUB), is in the very early stages of development. The plaza was originally constructed in the early 1960’s. Originally a road traversed this space prior to the construction of Smith Plaza. From August to May, 2014, Smith Plaza was booked 244 times for a total of 1,412 hours of use. 	
3	Next Meeting	March 24, 2016. 1:00pm – 2:00pm. Zimmerman Library, Herzstein Latin American Reading Room. Fran hopes that attendance at the Business Council meeting will improve. The Faculty Senate President will be invited to a future Business Council meeting this spring.	None needed
4	Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm.	

