

**The University of New Mexico Faculty Senate  
Meeting Minutes  
September 22, 2020  
3:00-4:45 P.M.  
Online**

*(Awaiting approval at the October 27, 2020 Faculty Senate Meeting)*

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

**2. Approval of the August 25, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

The August 25, 2020 minutes were approved.

**5. University President's Report**

President Garnett Stokes reported the following:

- HSC VP Search is in process
- The Forum on Public Safety/Policing is Thursday afternoon.
- There are no expectations of budget cuts in the current fiscal year, but there may be a 5% cut in the next fiscal year
- There will be an evaluation of university administrative costs and the supportive structures of the university.
- Freshman enrollment is up.
- Graduation and retention rates are up.

**6. Provost's Report**

Provost James Holloway presented the following.



**Provost Report to Faculty Senate**

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JAMES P. HOLLOWAY

PROVOST & EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
PROFESSOR OF NUCLEAR ENGINEERING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

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## Campus Activities

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Zimmerman and Centennial Libraries and the Fine Arts Library open for faculty, staff and students at limited capacity. Seeing ~150 patrons per day in Zimm.

SUB and La Posada opened limited spaces for inside dining

Ryan's Roadhouse is well received

Some outdoor dining spaces will appear around La Posada

Johnson Center will open for gym use at limited capacity on Oct 5th



## Academics

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Africana Studies Departmental Transition Committee

- Dean Hansel Burley to chair
- Members: Charles Becknell, Steve Bishop, Finnie Coleman, Chris Duvall, Ray Hernandez-Duran, Natasha Howard, Tiffany Lee, Alfred Mathewson, Sonia Gipson Rankin
- Focus: establishing the scholarly direction of the department thru development of a tenured and tenure-track faculty

Spring term – mix of instructional modalities expected to be similar to fall

Dean searches

- Starting to form search advisory committee for Dean of Libraries & Learning Sciences. Recommendations welcome: [provost@unm.edu](mailto:provost@unm.edu)
- Will form search committee for Dean of Law starting in Spring 2021



# Budget

LFC has asked universities to share with them:

- A plan for how we will restructure to meet funding target decrease set by DFA
- Address what they characterize as the excess capacity for higher education in NM

DFA Target:

- Reduce I&G allocation from the state by 5% for FY 21
- If the CARES act swap of about \$5.7M (for all UNM) is restored, our actual cut relative to our **present** allocation could be less than 5%. (The 5% reduction would then be on our budget prior to the CARES act swap)



# Enrollment - Census

ABQ campus beginning First Year Enrollment **up 7.48%** to 2788 students

New Graduate student enrollment **up 19.13%** to 1040 students

Main campus **down 2.4%**

Branch campus head counts down:

- Gallup **down 12.19%** to 2,198
- Los Alamos **up 2.69%** to 954
- Valencia **down 33.5%** to 1487
- Taos **down 9.63%** to 1107

Mirrors trends for  
community colleges across  
NM

Fall Semesters							
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	1 Year Change	5 Year Change
Headcount	27,060	26,278	24,393	22,792	22,244	-2.40%	-17.80%
Student Credit Hours (SCH)	333,819	320,954	295,720	274,990	262,862	-4.41%	-21.26%
Full Time Equivalent (FTE)	22,857.27	21,982.60	20,244.60	18,832.72	18,170.68	-3.52%	-20.50%



# Get your flu shot!

Drive thru clinics at HSC: Sept 26 – Oct 31

Main campus walk-up: Oct 20 & Oct 21

See the Flu Shot website!

<https://hr.unm.edu/wellness/flu-shots>



## 5. Faculty Senate President's Report

Faculty Senate President Finnie Coleman reported the following:

- The Faculty Handbook Policy C07 discussion to move it to Section B is continuing.
- The ad hoc committee on branch campuses is being constituted and a charge developed.
- Faculty Senate President recognized Senator Stephanie Beene, Assistant Professor. She reported the following.
  - Because of the drop in oil prices and the pandemic, the University Libraries has experienced a total reduction of almost \$600,000 in the collections budget for FY21, and these challenges are compounded by unsustainable publisher inflation and financial strain in state and university budgets, which you've all just been hearing about.
  - Departments should be hearing within the next month or so from your [subject librarians](#) who will be sharing more information and working with faculty.
  - The libraries have created a [guide with more information](#).
  - Associate Dean, Mark Emmons, has asked that you [contact him](#) if you have any broader, overarching questions

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was approved.

Faculty Senate Committee Appointments

## AGENDA TOPIC

### 8. Divestment Proposal Discussion

Faculty Senate President Finnie Coleman asked Senators to review the resolution for discussion and consideration at the October 2020 Faculty Senate meeting.

**9. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**10. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.