

I am here as the representative of the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee, which is one of the 3 faculty-elected bodies in the Shared Faculty Governance system at UNM mandated by the Faculty Constitution. As you undoubtedly know, effective Faculty Governance is necessary for a truly functional, successful, and well-run university and thereby for maintenance of Accreditation by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation. You have just heard from several distinguished faculty about the negative impact of recent financial decisions on research and academic programs on Main campus including the Law School. As Chair of the AF&T Committee with the member's support, I have been asked to present the following resolution to address the issue. It is the result of a collective and collaborative effort among a number of faculty members throughout the University. I hereby submit the following resolution as a motion for consideration and adoption by the assembled faculty of the University of New Mexico.

[\(Resolution regarding agenda item number two\)](#)