



Committee on Governance

January 14, 2015

On December 3, 2014 UNM voting faculty received a ballot to vote on proposed changes to the [Faculty Constitution \(Faculty Handbook Policy A51\)](#). The ballot contained seven separate ballot items. Of the seven items, all but two passed with the required two-thirds majority vote. Ballot item numbers three and four received a simple majority but not the two-thirds majority required to pass. Below is a summary of the vote.

Ballot Item 1 - Non-substantive changes: PASSED

Ballot Item 2 - Inclusion of the Faculty Handbook (Article I, Section 2): PASSED

Ballot Item 3 - Members of the Committee on Governance shall be tenured (Article I, Section 5c): FAILED

Ballot Item 4 - Presiding Officer of the Faculty Senate shall be tenured (Article I, Section 6d): FAILED

Ballot Item 5 - Change in calculation of number of Faculty Senators (Article I, Section 6): PASSED

Ballot Item 6 - Inclusion of Provost or Chancellor in Dean/Director (re)appointments (Article III, Section 3): PASSED

Ballot Item 7 - Removal of "Other Administrative Officers" (Article III, Section 4): PASSED

The five ballot items that were approved by faculty will move forward to the Regents' Student/Academic Affairs Committee on January 29, 2015 and then to the full Board of Regents on February 6, 2015 for their consideration. Please note that implementation of these items is pending approval at these meetings. An announcement will go out to all faculty at that time.

A number of eligible faculty were not able to access the ballot immediately. We are confident that access problems were quickly rectified allowing all eligible faculty to vote in a fair and accurate election.

Thank you for taking the time to vote.

Sincerely,

Jackie Hood and Tim Lowrey, Co-Chairs of the Committee on Governance