

Special Faculty Meeting Agenda

February 25, 2009

3:00-5:00 p.m.

1. Welcome and quorum count: Provost Suzanne Ortega (designated by President Schmidly) 5 minutes
2. Meeting procedures: Richard Wood (Committee on Governance) 15 minutes
 - a. Rules governing this meeting; identification of Timekeeper and Parliamentarian
 - b. Overview of agenda and voting procedures
 - c. Motions regarding rules of the meeting
3. Introduction: Ursula Shepherd (Committee on Governance) 7 minutes
 - a. Presentation of faculty petition submitted to the Committee on Governance (CoG)
 - b. Statement by Faculty Senate: Faculty Senate President Howard Snell
4. Petition Topic A: UNM decisions regarding use of funds and hiring practices, and UNM's decision-making structure
 - a. Presentation of faculty concerns: Distinguished Professor of Physics Carl Caves 5 minutes
 - b. Response from the President/Regent/Administration: President David Schmidly** 5 minutes
 - c. Presentation of motion(s) regarding Petition Topic A: Ursula Shepherd CoG co-chair 25 minutes
Discussion and voting* on motion(s) – Presiding: Provost Suzanne Ortega
5. Petition Topic B: Crisis of confidence regarding administrative decision-making by President of Regents, UNM President, and UNM Vice-President for Finance & Administration
 - a. Presentation of faculty concerns: Professor of History Jane Slaughter 5 minutes
 - b. Response from the President/Regent/Administration: President David Schmidly** 5 minutes
 - c. Presentation of motions regarding Petition Topic B: Melissa Bokovoy, CoG 40 minutes
Discussion and voting* on motion(s) – Presiding: Provost Suzanne Ortega
6. Closing Remarks Provost Ortega and CoG Chair 8 minutes
(May include announcement of next Special Faculty Meeting)
7. Motion to adjourn

Total time: 120 minutes = 2 hrs

* Note: Voting procedure: Optical scan ballots counted via scanner, results probably overnight.

**President Schmidly may respond, or delegate part of his time to others

NOTE: The following standing rules have been approved by the Faculty: (1) May 20, 1969: "Meetings of the University Faculty shall normally be scheduled for two hours. If the agenda of a particular meeting is not concluded within two hours, a motion to adjourn shall include provision for a subsequent meeting. Alternatively, a two-thirds vote of those present could extend the meeting for another thirty minutes." (2) October 27, 1970: "Discussion and debate of any item on the agenda shall be limited to forty-five minutes unless an extension of that time is approved by majority vote. No person may speak more than twice on any item, nor longer than five minutes at either time. The presiding officer will adjudge specific applications of this standing rule." (3) September 9, 1975: "Photography is permitted at faculty meetings, utilizing existing light only." (4) October 14, 1975: "Qualified members of the press are admitted to faculty meetings."

BALLOT KEY:

Ballot #1, Red-Audit Motion

Ballot #2, Dark Blue-Motion on Decision Making

Ballot #3, Green-Motion Regarding Board of Regents President Jamie Koch

Ballot #4, Purple-Motion Regarding VP David Harris

Ballot #5, Blue-Motion regarding President David Schmidly

Ballot #6, Brown-EXTRA