

Faculty Senate Budget Taskforce (A Faculty Senate Ad-Hoc Committee)

Minutes

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Meeting Date and Place: Tuesday, 11/17/15, 12:00 pm, **Scholes Hall, Roberts Room**

Members Present: Stefan Posse, Faculty Senate President, Ann Brooks, Janie Chermak, Bill Liotta, Fran Wilkinson, Lee Brown, Kramer Woodard, Mike Dougher, and Scott Hughes.

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Pamela Pyle, Faculty Senate President Elect, Beth Tigges, Douglas Thomas, Andrew Cullen, Edl Schamiloglu, Ajna Hamidovic, Donna Sigl, Edl Schamiloglu, Donald Bellew, Charlie Paine, Nora Dominguez, Nicole Dopson, Norma Allen, Trish Steinbrecher, and Charlie Steen.

Guests:

Minutes: Dennis Dunn, Office of the University Secretary.

	Subject	Notes	Follow-Up
1	Call to order (Stefan Posse)	Stefan Posse opened the meeting at Noon, in the Roberts Room, Scholes Hall.	None Needed
2	The Meeting & Suggestions (Roberts Room, Scholes Hall)	<p>Points covered in today's meeting included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty Senate President Stefan Posse opened the meeting by reporting on the Budget Leadership Team (BLT) meeting he attended earlier in the day. He will email the handouts from that meeting to the Task Force members and Dennis Dunn, Office of the University Secretary, will post the handouts on the Task Force SharePoint website; • Fran Wilkinson reported that information has not yet been received regarding how much of the 5% that was held back from each college's budget will be returned. We know that it will be 3.5% on average, but hopefully colleges will be informed of their exact amount before winter break.; • Discussion followed regarding the continuing decline in enrollment and the related causes due to a combination of smaller birth rates, high school graduation rates and the overall economy nationwide. It was also pointed out that UNM has a very active recruitment program for veterans; • Further discussion involved UNM's place on a national scale and UNM's strengths and weaknesses in recruiting new students and retaining faculty. The pros and cons of financing research at UNM was also discussed; • It was suggested that Terry Babbitt, Associate Vice President Enrollment Management, be contacted to see if he has access to any surveys given to high school seniors regarding their plans after high school graduation; • Draft surveys from Faculty Senate President Stefan Posse, Kramer Woodard, Architecture & Planning, and Lee Brown, Health Science Center, were handed out to the Task Force members for discussion and distribution. Lee Brown informed the members that his survey is more of a data collection instrument, regarding unfunded mandates, than an opinion survey; • It was decided that Stefan's and Kramer's draft surveys should be edited and then combined into one document and sent out to the entire faculty, both main campus and the Health Science Center (HSC); • Janie stated that the survey should cover three different areas: Are they happy with being affiliated with UNM; Are you happy with being employed by UNM; and, Are you happy with how UNM is managed. Kramer added that another point should be 'how effective are communications at UNM'; • It was decided that the Task Force would skip the November 24th meeting, and meet next on Tuesday December 1st. During this time period the Task Force members will work on combining the two surveys by emailing their edits to each other and there by create a single document; • The Task Force agreed that Lee Brown's survey was ready to be sent out, and should be sent out next week; • Stefan will present the two surveys to the Faculty Senate Operations Committee, which will meet later today; • Stefan will also ask the University Secretary's Office if they can coordinate sending the finalized survey out through either Survey Monkey or Opinio; • Lee Brown stated that the survey should be before the Committee on Governance before being sent out. Stefan wasn't sure but will look into the matter; 	<p>Dennis Dunn to post BLT handouts.</p> <p>Contact Terry Babbitt to obtain surveys taken from graduating high school seniors regarding their future plans.</p>

3	To Do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dennis Dunn to post Stefan's Budget Leadership Team (BLT) handout; • Contact Terry Babbitt to locate any surveys taken of high schools seniors relating to how they see their future; • Task Force members will spend the next week editing the two surveys into one survey by communicating through emails; • Lee Brown's survey to be sent out next week; • Stefan will contact the University Secretary's Office to see if they can assist in sending out the edited survey; • Stefan will research if the survey needs to be approved by the Faculty Senate Operations Committee before being sent out; 	
4	Next Meeting	Tuesday, December 1, 2015, 12:00pm Scholes Hall Roberts Room, for an hour and a half meeting.	
	Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1:35pm.	