

Faculty Senate Budget Committee

Minutes

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Meeting Date and Place: Monday, 4/4/16, 11:00 am, **Scholes Hall, Room 101**

Members Present: Stefan Posse, Faculty Senate President, Ann Brooks, Janie Chermak, Charlie Paine and Edl Schamiloglu.

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Pamela Pyle, Faculty Senate President Elect, Andrew Cullen, Fran Wilkinson, Douglas Thomas, Ajna Hamidovic, Donna Sigl, Donald Bellew, Nora Dominguez, , Norma Allen, Scott Hughes, Charlie Steen, Lee Brown, Kramer Woodard, Beth Tigges Bill Liotta, and Trish Steinbrecher.

Guests:

Minutes: Dennis Dunn, Office of the University Secretary.

	Subject	Notes	Follow-Up
1	Call to Order (Ann Brooks)	Ann Brooks opened the meeting at 11: 00 am, in Scholes Hall, Room 101. Since the last meeting Dennis Dunn has emailed the 3/7/16 and 3/29/16 FS Budget Committee minutes out to committee members for review and comment. Since no comments were made regarding the minutes, they have been declared approved.	None Needed
2	The Meeting & Issues (Scholes Hall, Room 101)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty Senate President Stefan Posse began the meeting by reporting on his meeting with President Frank, in which the president expressed a desire to close UNM's University Press in order to save on the university's budget. At this time the University Press loses approximately \$200,000 per year and has a total of \$6 million in debt. Stefan reported that all university presses, nationwide, are having similar financial problems. It was suggested that the University Press develop a new Business Plan to streamline its operation before the University shuts it down; • The second item Stefan brought up concerned organizing a special Faculty Senate meeting for next week. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 12, 2016, 3:00pm – 5:00pm, in Scholes Hall Roberts Room. This meeting would be in response to recent policy changes that have been made by the Board of Regents regarding the Health Sciences Center (HSC); • Ann Brooks and Janie Chermak met with President Frank last week and they discussed the \$50 million dollar loan that is being requested from HSC by the state Medicaid office. It was suggested that the university hire lawyers who are experts in Medicare and Medicaid issues. • The Survey – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ann and Janie reported that they are working with Rick Holmes and Joby Elliot, University Secretary's Office, to pull out as much information as possible from the data the survey has generated. They would also like to meet with Nicole Dopson, Provost's Office, to discuss this information and what to do with it. This information will then be presented to the full Budget Committee for comment and ideas where to take the information. - They would like committee members to examine the survey's results and begin planning on how to address the serious budget issues UNM will be facing in FY2017 and more importantly, FY2018 which is looking to be the worse than FY2017; - They suggested that the committee begin working closer with President Frank, EVP Harris and the Provost on upcoming budget issues. - Chuck Paine suggested the committee contact UNM's University Council for guidance on what to do with the survey's results and the legal issues of the survey's results going to the press through the Freedom of Information Act; - Ann and Janie will meet next week to go over the survey results in preparation for presenting the results to the Faculty Senate. • Ann pointed out that she is nearing the end of her tenure as co-chair of the Budget Committee (she has one year to go) and that the committee needs to be thinking of who can take her place and Janie's too, when she leaves the committee next spring. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ann also mentioned that the committee needs to be thinking about how to rewrite the Committee's Charge to better reflect its current work and duties. The new Charge will be presented to the Faculty Senate in the Fall of 2016. 	
4	Next Meeting	Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 11:00 am Scholes Hall, Roberts Room.	
	Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 12:20pm.	