



**Faculty and Staff Benefits Committee**  
**Minutes**

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Tuesday, January 14, 2025

3:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Via Zoom Video Conference

***Voting Members Present:*** Shawn Berman, Mark Fischer, Angela Beauchamp, Dimiter Vassilev, Janet Brierley, Jessica Serna, Laura Haniford Jennifer Kavka, Sara Daykin, Amber Trujillo-McClure

***Voting Members Absent-Excused:*** Trudi Flynn, Dina Hill

***Ex-officio, Guests, and Minutes:*** Brenda De La Pena, Sidney Mason-Coon, Gena Garcia

**Meeting called to order 3:32PM**

**Quorum was met.**

**1. Agenda**

A motion was made to approve the January agenda.

**2. Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the amended December minutes.

**3. Updates**

**A. Lobo Health Strategy Group**

*Shawn Berman & Jessica Serna*

- Will be getting an update in February when Dr. Jacob's attends the FSBC meeting.

**B. Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association (VEBA) Committee Meeting**

*Shawn Berman & Angela Beauchamp*

- No update. The semiannual meeting will be in February.

**C. Budget Leadership Team**

*Jennifer Kavka*

- The committee met on January 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The Office of Government Relations gave an update on the 2025 legislative session.
- UNM Day at the State Capital is January 29<sup>th</sup>.



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- Jennifer shared the FY26 legislative priorities brochure to be presented at the legislation session: <https://govrel.unm.edu/state-legislative-sessions/2025/fy26-legislative-priorities-brochure.pdf>
- Next BLT meeting is January 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Jennifer invited Mike Puelle, Chief Government Relations Officer, to attend our April meeting. She recommends we gather some questions for Mike ahead of his visit.

### D. Policy Office

*Sidney Mason-Coon*

*Policies for review and comment:*

- UAP 6130 Emergency control
- UAP 7200 Cash Management
- UAP XXXX Foreign Gifts and Contracts
  
- The new Policy Stat platform is 95% complete. Should be up and running by the end of this month.
- In working with students from the IT Department, we created a crosswalk for all links in the Policy Stat to reflect the new links.
- Both sites will be published at the same time--thirty to sixty days.
- We have four new documents to be published on the site: a checklist for revising or writing a policy, style and language guides as well as a policy template.

### E. Retiree Association

*Janet Brierley*

- No meeting in December.
- Next meeting is January 21<sup>st</sup>.

### F. Human Resources

*Brenda de la Pena*

- Awaiting medical claims to project for 2025.
- She is working with Kevin Stevenson on a \$5k and \$10k salary tier shift. Will know more and give information after the legislative session ends.

### **Other Business:**

### **Next Meeting:**

February 11, 2025

Via Zoom

**Adjourn: 4:08PM**