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**Faculty  
Assembly  
Meeting –  
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Colleagues**  
Wednesday,  
March 27, 2013  
1:30pm–3:00pm  
LRC 101C

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## **President Report**

*Submitted by Elaine Clark*



President's Report:

Greetings! Hope all of you had a refreshing spring break!

There are several action items on the agenda this month from the Handbook Committee so please attend if you possibly can!

We have figured out how to import email addresses from the full-timers listserv and part-timers listserv into vfac. So vfac will soon be completely updated and ready to roll as usual. We will also have the separated lists in case there are items pertinent only to full-time faculty or part-time faculty so that people's email inboxes won't be cluttered. These will all be closed lists.

I hope all of the full-time faculty saw my email about the issues with Contracts. Please let me know if you did not receive that email sent on March 19 about how to check if your contract was affected by the blip in contracts last fall.

Margaret Menache from the Ombudsman Office on main campus will give a short (about 10 minute) presentation about mediation training. We need more people to serve on the Conflict Resolution Committee and she can give some information about what it means to mediate a conflict.

All officers and representatives of the Faculty Assembly serve one-year terms so start thinking of who you would like to nominate. Elections will take place at the April meeting (Wednesday, April 17).

Here is a list of the positions:

President – Preside over FAC meetings; represent faculty.

Vice-President/Treasurer – Actively assist President; parliamentarian

Secretary – Keep minutes of meetings and other documents

Three Representatives – two from separate discipline areas other than the Faculty President and one Adjunct Faculty Representative.

We currently have four Academic Divisions: Business Technology and Fine Arts, Mathematics and Sciences, Communications Humanities Education and Social Sciences, and Nursing and Health Sciences, think about people from each of these divisions who could serve as either an officer or representative (people from four academic divisions at least to fill six

positions). For comments or suggestions please contact me: [ewclark@unm.edu](mailto:ewclark@unm.edu)

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## Message from Dr. Letteney

To My Colleagues:

Congratulations to everyone who made Pi Day such a success on Thursday. The Amazing Race, the official opening of our new Math Lab, and the demonstration of our new equipment in the Student Community Center was a wonderful celebration of our commitment to bring the best in teaching and learning to our students. Our STEM faculty, the staff of both Title V Projects, and our student participants are to be commended for their love of learning. And in our Art Gallery is another beautiful exhibit of the work of local santeros--now a yearly tradition on our campus.

After nearly two years of working to achieve approval to offer workforce certificates under 30 hours in order to receive state funding under our new formula, we believe that the Provost's Office will now grant such approval. Many thanks to Richard Sax and Julie Depree as well as other faculty and staff, including Amy Neel and Provost's staff, who helped us work towards this goal. If our programs are approved by the Provost's Office, we will be eligible to receive completion funding within the next two year funding cycle.

Our Strategic Planning Committee will host a Town Hall on April 10 to present its latest plan draft and receive input from the college community. Details of the luncheon meeting will follow.

We are assuming that the appropriations bill passed by the Legislature will be signed by the Governor which includes a 1% salary increase for state employees. However, that increase will be offset by increases in the retirement contribution by employees and a yet to be determined increase in health care benefits--we will keep you posted as we learn the percentage increase in health care costs for UNM employees. The campus will see some increase in revenue after off the top costs including an increased administrative fee we will pay to UNM. On Monday our Board will discuss this matter with Wyn Goering and I will update you when we meet on Wednesday. We will be presenting a no tuition increase to the Board as we believe that keeping our tuition low is critical to student access.

Finally, we will welcome Corinne Sedillo and Eloisa Tabet as re-elected members of our Advisory Board on Monday. We are grateful for the time and effort and commitment that our Board Members contribute to our campus. As ever, thanks for the great work you do on behalf of our students--see you later today.

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## Dean of Instruction Report

I respectfully submit this Report as I prepare to travel to Washington, D.C., this week to serve (with Connie Bracewell of the University of Arizona) as Co-Chair of the American Indian Literatures & Cultures (AIL&C) section of the American Culture Association for the annual PCA/ACA Conference. Connie and I will facilitate all of the AIL&C sessions and present our own scholarly papers: mine is titled: “Once More with Feeling: Sherman Alexie’s Blasphemy,” in which I discuss Alexie’s decision to republish 15 of his previously published short stories alongside 16 new stories in the new collection. I regret having to miss our March Faculty Assembly meeting but am pleased to have this opportunity to provide you with some updates in the paragraphs that follow.

Most of the full-time faculty members submitted revised FEDIs (with Fall 2012 IDEA forms) last Friday. If you have not done so already, please try to do so by this Friday when I will be returning from Washington, D.C., prepared to compose my letters for each FEDI. Most faculty members send me the electronic version but provide a hard copy of the signatures page so that actual signatures for the faculty member, immediate upward report, and the dean, are all signed and dated by hand.

We have recently completed both the Summer 2013 and Fall 2013 Schedule of Courses which have been sent to the printers. Please know that we will carefully monitor enrollments once students start to register (Monday, April 22ff.) so that we practice fiduciary oversight even while seeking to accommodate as many students and faculty schedules as possible.

Although this Report is being written nearly a week ahead of time, we have plans to host Professor Les McFadden on campus this past Monday, March 25. Professor McFadden is Chair of the ad hoc committee that has been organized to fulfill President Frank’s commitment to offer “five to six baccalaureate programs” in toto, in any possible delivery format, at all of the Branch Campuses. There are many details yet to be determined in this matter, so your continuing interest and support are requested.

Due to recent approvals by Faculty Senate and the support of the Main Campus Registrar and Provost’s Offices, we are now ready to begin the process to seek approval for the so-called “short-term” (less than 30cr.) certificates which will now be

allowed within the UNM system as long as the new certificate programs are categorized as “technical-vocational “ and fulfill one of two requirements: (1) the proposed curriculum fulfills a recognized professional certification (in Fire Science, Nursing, etc.); (2) the proposed curriculum fulfills a specified local workforce need. In the next few weeks, I will be working with Division Chairs to begin to draft New Program Preliminary Review Outlines for the Provost’s Office which require approval before we draft Form Cs for each proposed certificate. Let me thank you in advance for any help you provide in this process so that we can seek an expedited review for these certificate programs which will benefit our students and help our balance sheets beginning several fiscal years from now!

Thanks to Dr. Najib Manea for creating specified computer language protocols which will allow all faculty—full-time this term and adding part-time faculty in the fall—to have a common and parallel initial web link. He is holding an Open House in the Teaching & Learning Center on Monday, April 1, from 12 noon-3pm, for full-time faculty to come in, provide information, and leave with a completed initial faculty web page. If you are not available at all during that time slot, please contact Najib, and he will arrange an alternative time for you. If you want to complete your initial page, you should come to the session with access to: your office address and phone number, email, resume/CV, list of educational degrees, biographical statement (brief!). You may load syllabi to as many different courses as you regularly teach, and there are links for a picture as well as a link to a website for those of you who have created personal websites for your professional endeavors. Once we have all completed this task, it will provide our students, as well as anyone with Internet access, a common first look at all of our fine faculty members!

A presentation was made at the March 21 Deans’ Council at Main Campus concerning the future of UNM West. Our dear friend and past dean, Dr. Reinaldo Garcia, participated in the presentation with UNM West Director Beth Miller. Law School Associate Dean and 2012-2013 ACE fellow Carol Parker presented a report, defining UNM West as a “creative enterprise campus.”

I continue to plan, with our divisional heads and with the other Branch Campus Deans, the April 19 Main Campus “Gathering of the Branches” which is tentatively scheduled for 10am-2pm. The deans will begin the session with an overview of some Branch concerns, and there will be ample time for faculty in attendance to connect with faculty in their fields from the other campuses. I realize this event conflicts with an afternoon session of our intrepid Assessment Committee, but perhaps they

can attend the morning sessions, and in any case, those of us who attend will report back to our colleagues.

### **PI Day UNMV Race Winners**

**From:** Qiao Liang

**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2013 2:47 PM

**Subject:** 2013 The Amazing Math Race Winners Name List

Dear Faculty,

Thank you for all your support in today's Amazing Math Race of UNM-Valencia.

**The first place winners are: Ashley Cook and Amber Montoya**

**The second place winners are: Lisa Trujillo and Ashley Lucero**

**The third place winners are: Kamie Hopper and Nick Molina**

Thanks to all of you again, and hope you all had a good time celebrating the Pi Day!

Sincerely, Qiao Liang

### **Submitted Link**

**Assessment** [http://www.uakron.edu/im/online-newsroom/news\\_details.dot?newsId=04c167e1-09af-44ea-a365-87927c3de0c0&crumbTitle=Identifying%20the%20arrogant%20boss](http://www.uakron.edu/im/online-newsroom/news_details.dot?newsId=04c167e1-09af-44ea-a365-87927c3de0c0&crumbTitle=Identifying%20the%20arrogant%20boss)

The above was submitted anonymously by faculty. Please do not reply to me. This is included as part of the “open submissions” aspect of our newsletter. The policy is to include whatever suggested as pertinent to our Institution, without censoring or identification of those fearing reprisal in any way. It was suggested to me our “Culture of Assessment” includes assessment of the assessors. JYA

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### **Save the Date – Cancer Relay**

Celebrate those winning their battle against cancer, Remember those who lost their battle, & Fight Back so no one else will have to hear the dreaded words... "you have cancer!"

SAVE THE DATE:

Friday, June 21, 2013, 6:00 pm–6:00 am

Los Lunas High School Baseball Field

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## Valencia Campus Library News

*Valencia Campus Library News*  
*By LeAnn Weller*

*April 14-20 is National Library Week. Valencia Campus Library has planned a webpage, a bulletin board, a book display, Facebook and Twitter postings, and several other activities to celebrate. The theme for 2013 is “Communities Matter @ Your Library.” For a community created book display, please send LeAnn Weller ([lweller1@unm.edu](mailto:lweller1@unm.edu)) the name of your favorite book or author. She’ll also create a community short story sentences on page 16 of that title. Watch Facebook and lines. April 16 will be Library Snapshot Day. The Library pictures, surveying users online, by e-mail and in-person, statistics throughout the day. Pictures will be posted on Facebook and Pinterest.*



*from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Twitter for the will be taking and collecting*

*Preservation Week is April 21-27 and the Library will post information on various activities on its web page, Pinterest, and Facebook page. Finally Choose Privacy Week is May 1-7 and again the Library will feature information on its webpage and Facebook page.*

*Reminder—The Library has a “New Book Area” where books that are “new” to the collection are displayed. Come in and browse it.*

*Follow UNM Valencia Campus Library on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest for interesting tidbits and update to date announcements.*

**Faculty Assembly Meeting**  
**February 27, 2013**  
**1:30-3:00 LRC 101C**

**In attendance:**

John Y. Anderson	Elaine Clark	Khaled Kassem	Eva Rivera
Claudia Barreto	Julie Depree	Alice Letteney	Melanie Sanchez-Dinwiddie
Angelica Boyle	Miriam Gustafson	Barbara Lovato	Richard Sax
Michael Ceschiat	Annette Hatch	Najib Manea	Julia So
Miriam Chavez	Jami Huntsinger	Danizete Martinez	Alexa Wheeler
			Thomas Whittaker

**1. Call to order:** Elaine Clark called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

**2. Acceptance of agenda**

The following change was made:

- Continuing Business was added before New Business.
  - Michael Ceschiat moved to accept the agenda as amended / Claudia Barreto seconded
  - Agenda was accepted as amended

**3. Approval of minutes**

- Minutes stand as submitted
  - Julie Depree moved to approve the minutes as submitted / Miriam Chavez seconded
  - Minutes were approved as submitted

**4. Executive Director's Report:** Dr. Letteney's report stands as submitted.


- The Certificate policy is slated to make it through Academic Council by the end of March. Wynn Goering is pushing this. The hope is for greater cooperation between UNM and its branches.
- Dr. Richard Sax, Najib Manea and Hank Vigil presented the GAME degree and certificate and the AUTT certificate to the Board of Regents AA subcommittee meeting at which they were approved.
- The ERB solvency bill HB64 was just passed by the house. It will be raising employee's contribution and setting a new minimum retirement age.
- The Legislative Finance Committee had 48% of new money for course completion. The Senate Finance Committee decreased that to 5%. Hopefully 25% will be the compromise.



- We are still hoping for a transfer measure to be implemented
- A data set of VC students by major had the following results
  - ≈1,800 students
  - Over 500 UNM Main Campus Students
  - 29 pre-engineering majors
  - Order of majors General Services Studies, Liberal Arts, Business.
  - UNM-VC Gala and Foundation Fundraiser
    - ◆ Big success
    - ◆ Endowment reached \$1 million


**5. Dean of Instruction Report:**

- FTE is down



**UNM VALENCIA CAMPUS  
WELLNESS CENTER**

2013 March Newsletter  
Submitted by Angelica Boyle

<p style="text-align: center; color: blue;"><u>April 2013</u></p> <p>4/2 – Wellness Club Meeting 8:30am–9am</p> <p>4/4 – Reflexology 10am–3pm</p> <p>4/5 – Total Abs Workout 11am–12pm</p> <p style="color: red;">4/10 – SPRING FIESTA 11AM–2PM</p> <p>4/17 – Stress Relief Workshop 12pm–1pm</p> <p>4/19 – Zumba Toning Workout 11am–12pm</p> <p>4/22–4/26 – Challenge Post–Tests</p> <p>4/24– Massages 10am–3pm</p> <p>4/29 – Challenge Winners Announced</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>We Started the New Year off Right with a Fitness Challenge!</b></p> <p>The Wellness Center presented a new challenge to provide motivation for the population of Valencia Campus to attain overall wellness and reach fitness goals for the New Year. Participating in a challenge is fun and may help keep you on track without losing sight of your goals.</p> <p><b>The Biggest Loser—Biggest Gainer:</b> The 12 week challenge began on January 28<sup>th</sup> and will end April 26<sup>th</sup>. Participants have the opportunity to participate in only one of eight categories:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>BIGGEST LOSER-WOMEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. %Body Fat</li> <li>2. Waist, Hip</li> </ol> <p><b>BIGGEST LOSER-MEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. %Body Fat</li> <li>4. Weight</li> </ol> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>BIGGEST GAINER-WOMEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. 1-RM Chest Press</li> <li>6. 1-RM Leg Press</li> </ol> <p><b>BIGGEST GAINER-MEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. 1-RM Bench Press</li> <li>8. 1-RM Squat</li> </ol> </td> </tr> </table> <p style="color: red; text-align: center;"><b>We have a total of 43 participants which includes students, staff &amp; faculty. The 8 winners will be determined in April and will receive their generous reward for their great accomplishments!</b></p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">WEDNESDAY APRIL 10</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">11:00AM TO 2:00PM COURTYARD</p> <p style="color: green; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">FOOD CATERED BY TEQUILAS</p> <p style="color: green; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">ROCK CLIMBING HALL    GLADIATOR JOUST</p> <p style="color: green; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">ZUMBA    PINATA    AND MUCH MORE</p> </div>	<p><b>BIGGEST LOSER-WOMEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. %Body Fat</li> <li>2. Waist, Hip</li> </ol> <p><b>BIGGEST LOSER-MEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. %Body Fat</li> <li>4. Weight</li> </ol>	<p><b>BIGGEST GAINER-WOMEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. 1-RM Chest Press</li> <li>6. 1-RM Leg Press</li> </ol> <p><b>BIGGEST GAINER-MEN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. 1-RM Bench Press</li> <li>8. 1-RM Squat</li> </ol>
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**Faculty Assembly Agenda**  
**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

1. Call to order (1)
  2. Acceptance of agenda (1)
  3. Approval of Minutes from February 2013 (1)
  4. Executive Director Report (10)
  5. Dean of Instruction Report (3)
  6. Margaret Menache – Ombudsman’s Office (10)
  7. Committee Reports
    - a. Faculty Senate— Dani Martinez (5)
    - b. Core Course Assessment—Claudia Barreto (2)
    - c. Handbook Committee—Melanie Sanchez-Dinwiddie (15)
    - ◆
    - d. Faculty *Program* Development Committee – Heather Wood (5)
  8. Thoughts to bring back about videos for online classes from the ICTCM conference – Elaine Clark (5)
  9. President’s Report (10)
    - Faculty Contracts
    - List Serv
    - Elections next month
    - UNM Safety Workshops
    - Electronic Cigarettes
    - Printing in open labs
  10. Announcements (2)
  11. Adjournment (70 total minutes)
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# Valencia County Resiliency Corps

Preventing Youth Injury, Violence, and Substance Abuse - Promoting Safety and Resiliency

## SAVE THE DATE

Resiliency Corps Town Hall Meeting: Place Matters

April 5, 8:30am to 4pm

UNM-Valencia Campus, Student Community Center

Where we live has a profound impact on our quality of life. To thrive and be successful, community residents need access to healthcare; behavioral healthcare; quality early, secondary, and postsecondary education; thriving businesses and employment opportunities; recreation; safe housing; transportation; arts and culture; library and informational services; faith-based involvement; a safe environment; responsible civic engagement and responsive government entities. Where we live matters in how safe, successful, and resilient we are.

As everyone receiving this letter knows, living in Valencia County has its many pluses, but we are faced with various challenges regarding our health, safety and resiliency, which affect us throughout our lives, especially our youth and elderly. With population centers throughout the county, services limited to distinct areas, and a high rate of poverty, Valencia County residents face enormous challenges to daily well-being, let alone to thriving and success. The “Place Matters” Town Hall meeting will give us the opportunity to explore what we currently have in place and what we need to improve so that we can be a more resilient community.

The morning section of the Town Hall Meeting will focus on “Place Matters,” including presentations of local data, a panel discussion of the subject of place, access to resources, youth resiliency and risk factors, and why it matters. Presenters include Jerry Montoya from the Bernalillo County, Place Matters project; Jacobo Martinez the Valencia County Planner; Share New Mexico representatives; and Dan Green from the Department of Health. A moderated discussion will follow. The afternoon will consist of short presentations by a variety of local coalitions all of whom are involved in providing services to youth and families in Valencia County. By the conclusion of the day, a blueprint with action steps and a commitment to action on how we can provide a more resilient environment for Valencia County residents will be in place. Don’t miss this important event.

The “Place Matters” Town Hall Meeting will begin with registration at 8:30 am on Friday, April 5. The program will start promptly at 9am, go through lunch and end at 4pm. Please RSVP through email to Ann-Mary MacLeod, [annmary@unm.edu](mailto:annmary@unm.edu). We need a headcount to assure that we have adequate space, meals and other resources for the day.

Sincerely,

Dubra Karnes-Padilla, Resiliency Corps Advisory Board Chair and

Ann-Mary MacLeod, Manager, Development and Donor Relations, UNM-VC

From:

**Chad Perry, APR, PhD Candidate**

*Senior Public Relations Specialist*

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