

UNM-VALENCIA CAMPUS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, May 4, 2021
Virtual Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Paul Luna, Chair
Ms. Belinda Martinez, Secretary
Mrs. Eloisa Tabet, Member
Ms. Roberta Scott, Member
Mr. Russell Griego, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Alice V. Letteney, Chancellor
Mr. Rick Goshorn, Director of Business Operations
Dr. Laura Musselwhite, Dean of Instruction
Mr. Hank Vigil, Director Student Affairs
Dr. Cheryl Bryan, Faculty Assembly President
Ms. Paulette Tafoya, Staff President
Mr. Jon Lechel, Sr. Public Relations Specialist
Ms. Jeanne Lujan, Executive Assistant

Members of the UNM-Valencia Campus Advisory Board participated in a virtual meeting on Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

I. PUBLIC FORUM

No items were raised in the Public Forum.

II. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Paul Luna, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A. Additions to the Agenda

Ms. Scott moved to approve the Agenda without any additions or changes. Ms. Martinez seconded the motion. All members voted "Aye."

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Adoption of Minutes of Meeting, February 2, 2021

Ms. Scott moved to adopt the Minutes as read. Ms. Martinez seconded the motion and all members voted "Aye."

V. CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

The report provided by Dr. Letteney included information on the following:

A. Department Update

I am thankful to the Advisory Board, Development Board, Chief Officers, faculty and staff for supporting our students during this extremely difficult time.

There have been numerous structural changes made around campus. The academics lecture hall and cafeteria were beautifully remodeled.

Remote learning will continue during the summer session. In the fall 45% of all courses offered will either be face to face or a hybrid format.

A draft has been submitted for review regarding vaccination requirements. The policy would require faculty and staff to be vaccinated by August 1st and students by the fall semester. Exceptions would be made for religious beliefs or medical reasons.

As we wait for a directive from Main Campus regarding a vaccination policy we will continue to practice social distancing and mask wearing. Two hundred colleges, both public and private, are requiring vaccinations for their faculty, staff and students.

I was honored to address HACU's aspiring presidents regarding challenges they will face in the future. Diego DeMmon, former Valencia undergraduate research student, spoke at the Capital Forum about the benefits of participating in the STEM grant. He informed congressional staff that he was given financial assistance and guidance in transfer preparedness. Diego is currently working as a tutor on campus.

HACU's Annual Conference will take place virtually in October. ACCT's Leadership Congress will take place from October 13th – 16th, in San Diego.

I presented to the Board of Regents Finance and Facilities Committee for all branch advisory boards recommending that there be no increase in tuition or fees. They voted unanimously in favor of this recommendation during their April meeting.

Dr. Carolina Aguirre, Planning and Development Sr. Program Manager, has announced that she will be retiring in August. She has been one of the most successful contracts and grants administrators at Valencia Campus.

VI. INSTRUCTION

The report provided by Dr. Musselwhite included information on the following:

A. Department Update

The development of a new program led by Associate Professor Elaine Clark, Division Chair of Mathematics, Engineering and Computer Science was approved by the Board of Regents during their April meeting. Students can pursue an Associate's Degree of Applied Science in Computational Mathematics. There will be a mathematical and data science concentration. We are the only campus in the state that offers this type of degree.

B. Faculty Assembly Update

Dr. Cheryl Bryan, Assistant Professor of Psychology is the Faculty Assembly President, Mr. Greg Barnett, Assistant Professor of Mathematics is the Vice President and Ms. Ana June, Assistant Professor of English is the Secretary.

VII. STUDENT SERVICES

The report provided by Mr. Vigil included information on the following:

A. Department Update

We have explored every avenue to improve our numbers during the pandemic. Marketing tools such as television commercials, radio announcements, newspaper articles, social media promotions, email notifications and billboard advertisements have been utilized.

B. Student Government Update

Student Government has been unable to meet due to the pandemic. Elections are scheduled to take place in August.

VIII. BUSINESS OPERATIONS

The report provided by Mr. Goshorn included information on the following:

A. Department Update

During the special session the state appropriations for FY21 was \$5,857,500. The state funding for FY22 is \$5,967,000 based on hold harmless formula outcomes.

There has been a statewide increase of 25% on property insurance. The total cost of this increase campus wide will be \$6,520.

CARES funding in the amount of \$263,000 was received and distributed across campus indices in March.

The Workforce Training Center is scheduled to come on-line in January 2022. Initial startup costs will total \$153,600. We have been working with members of the business community and school boards in Valencia County to develop universal training and manufacturing programs. A timeline will be created and presented during the August meeting.

B. Staff Association

We have resumed our virtual lunches and appreciate that faculty members participate. Staff Association is looking forward to having everyone back on campus in August.

IX. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Martinez moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Griego seconded the motion. All members voted "aye."

Mr. Luna adjourned the meeting at 6:00 pm.

/s/ Paul Luna, Chairman