

UNM-VALENCIA CAMPUS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, May 5, 2026
Hybrid Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Laura Musselwhite, Dean of Instruction
Mr. Rick Goshorn, Director of Business Operations
Mr. Armando Bustamante, Director EMSS
Ms. Rita Garcia, Marketing Director
Ms. Alana Torres, IT Support Tech 3

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Wesley Badertscher, Executive Assistant

Ms. Sarah Clawson, Staff Association President

Ms.

Sarah Stroble, Student Government President

Dr. Wanda Presley, Academic Recruiter
Dr. Andisheh Dadashi, Faculty Assembly President
Ms. Julia Dendinger, Valencia County News-Bulletin

Members of the UNM-Valencia Campus Advisory Board participated in a hybrid meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2026.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman, Paul Luna called the meeting to order at 05:03 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Luna moved to approve the agenda. Mrs. Tabet approved. Mrs. Scott Seconded the motion. All members voted "Aye".

III. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Adoption of Minutes of Meeting, February, 2026

Mr. Luna moved to adopt the Minutes as read. Mrs. Tabet approved. Mrs. Scott seconded the motion. All members voted "Aye."

B. Reorganization of the Board

Mr. Luna opens for Chairman. Ms. Tabet offers Mr. Luna, Mrs. Scott Seconds. All vote in favor. Open nominations for secretary. Mrs. Scott nominates Belinda, Ms. Tabet seconds. All vote in favor.

IV. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS (Optional)

Dr. Wanda Presley, who works with Recruitment on campus.

V. PUBLIC FORUM (Optional)

Dr. Presley presents on the Junior Lobo Program later in the meeting.

Dr. Presley talked about the Junior Lobo Academic Academy and outreach into the community. A video was shown. The program was done this year for under 500 dollars. Mrs. Scott mentions that some kids grow up in schools where college is expected, but others don't. The board thanks

Dr. Presley for her efforts and are excited about this program. Dr. Presley is looking forward to growing the program. There is a graduation on May 19th, and approximately 80 people will be attending.

Mr. Luna notes this is one of the programs that can just explode. He agrees middle school is a great starting point. How is Dr. Presley getting the participating students? Dr. Presley explains she went to the school and had the teachers fill out form on students they thought would be good for it.

We are currently looking for grants and outside sources for future funding of the program. Mr. Luna suggests talking with the superintendents, as they can have some discretionary funds that could help.

VI. CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

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

A. Chancellor's Report

Mr. Luna thanks Dr. Musselwhite for stepping up into the interim chancellor role.

There is an upcoming in-person get together in June for NMACC. The organization will be replacing Dr. Medina, and there is discussion of workforce Pell and Dual Credit issues. Mr. Luna asks about parameters and limits for Pell. Dr. Musselwhite talks about desirability and time and such.

Branch Chancellors are having monthly meeting in ABQ. These have been a good endeavor, and Dr. Musselwhite says she is learning a lot.

There is a reminder for timing and days for upcoming graduation events on campus.

There are questions about the Interim Provost interviews – can members of the board sit in on those? Members can sit in, and the remaining zoom links will be sent.

Mr. Luna wants to thank Brittany Padilla for her hard work on the Gala. It's a great event and lots of fun.

VII. INSTRUCTION

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

A. Department Update

There are some new programs that are starting this fall. We have some faculty searches in the interview stage, and should finalize candidates soon. There is some renovation happening in B&T in fine arts area.

Mrs. Scott mentions she is happy to have the community garden. It has been very active and there is the goal to tie it in more to the campus' academics.

B. Faculty Assembly Update

Dr. Dadashi mentions the accomplishments over the past year and the transitioning to a new FY. The next meeting will see a new FA president – Piotr Filipczak. Everyone is looking forward to graduation.

VIII. Enrollment Management & Student Success

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

A. Department Update

We are expecting to serve 1252 for dual credit this year, a very healthy number and one of the largest. Also we do have a new person running the ENROLL grant, starting on Monday. She has federal grant knowledge, and is coming to us from the main campus pantry program.

B. Student Government Update

The President and several other folks involved in student government, have been working to encourage student involvement. They have been funding a lot of events on campus, including the pies for Pie Day and a dual credit research day. They also started passing out donuts to students on campus and have been active in the community, such as being invited to read to students in Pre-k – 5th grade for Read Across America.

Mr. Luna asks about the dual credit research day: how successful was it? There were a lot of dual credit students who came to campus and representatives from the government got to see what research they were doing. It was very successful.

IX. BUSINESS OPERATIONS

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

A. Department Update

Things have come together pretty well, but we do have a tight budget this upcoming year. The Bookstore is not doing well, and we might start working on finding another way to ensure students get their supplies.

Welding is coming together, and renovations are going good. We have future plans for the gaming lab and such, getting things up to date.

WTC – we are creating an automotive repair space and a construction space with renovations.

Operations are going well. However, we are having some AC and heating issues.

Mr. Luna asked about the health of our reserves. Mr. Goshorn says we are fine, and mentions he does overbudget, because he knows we won't spend that much.

B. Staff Association

There is a resolution that was issued during the first quarter. Staff are going to accept a lot of hard changes this FY. 13.1% increase in cost of medical insurance, and a smaller increase for cost of living. There are requests that UNM hold the staff medical increase, but we understand that might not be possible. Main Campus staff council has invited us to a meeting.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Optional)

Nothing at this time.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Optional)

Nothing at this time. We will probably have one when we have a new provost.

XII. Next Meeting

A. Next Regular Meeting: August 4th, 2026 at 5:00 PM

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Luna moved to entertain a motion to Adjourn. Mrs. Scott moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Tabet seconded the motion. All members voted "aye."

Mr. Luna adjourned the meeting at 6:02 pm.

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