



Faculty Assembly Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 16, 2024 (12:00 – 1:15 PM)  
Zoom Meeting URL: <https://unm.zoom.us/j/91310965551> (Passcode: 61023)

Attendance		
Ian Burch	Piotr Filipczak	Anicca Cox
Andy Taylor	Joshua Frank Cardenas	Natalie Sheppard
Andisheh Dadashi	Michael Gonzales	Kat Gullahorn
Sam Dosumu	Ben Flicker	Sarah Heyward
Mindy Schwartz	Precious Andrew	Patricia Gillikin
Justin Bendell	Laura Musselwhite	Jerry Godbout
Cindy Goodman	Steven Romero	Barbara Lovato
Ariel Ramirez	Cheryl Bryan	Dorothy Gaylor
Ana June	Susan Yassenka	

12:01 Call to Order

12:02 Acceptance of Agenda

Justin Bendell moves, Cheryl Bryan seconds

1202 Approval of Minutes

Cheryl Bryan moves, Justin Bendell seconds

1202 Chancellor's Report - Sam Dosumu

Good to see everyone. It's day 3 of the 2nd half of the semester. What I'm seeing and learning is that we get a lot of students at our front end - they sign up for both halves at the same time. Second half courses are good for harder classes, those that fail or drop can get a second chance, it's a good feature. Numbers are still the same, even though they came in late. Students are in the classes, we don't need to hunt down new students.

New hires, brought in 6 new people. 2 marketing, 2 new into outreach. Enroll grants, lasts until 27, has some people with it. Outreach people are our sales people, go out and talk to the community about our classes. My focus is to push that a lot. Talking to them about doing faculty & student highlights - put our research out there. Looking at how to get more dual credit students. Our advisors go out to local schools every few weeks. For all intents and purposes we have 10 people doing outreach.

12:07 My focus is on access - reaching students in all locations and bringing learning to them. Looking at transportation - it's not feasible to expect a student to incur debt to buy a car to go to college. What would it take to get a deal with rio transit. Grand Rapids CC made a deal for local



transportation free for their students. Can we do anything for students outside of the I25 corridor?

12:10 Last but not least is the college council. Lots of groups are joining us, tomorrow is our first town-hall meeting. Voice of the campus. I'm not chairing it, more of a committee type thing. Just like I do here, I'll come in, give answers to things. Tell your colleagues for them to join in. This is the first, it's not going to be perfect, if you see things that can be better let me or Andisheh know

Andy Taylor: I'm really excited to see about the transit situation

Ariel Ramirez: I wonder if we can use a university bus to create our own route.

Sam: Yeah, we have a lot of students who live in ABQ, we can make us a stop so they can drive down here. ASU has busses on the road all the time. We're no different

Andisheh Dadashi: And we put "UNM Valencia" on the buses.

Cheryl: You said you wanted transportation in place next year. Did you mean next year or academic year?

Sam: Probably next fall, but maybe pilot it in the Spring. I'd have to give Rio Transit numbers and then work out the numbers and advertise that you could catch a UNMV bus

Sarah Heyward: Are the town halls going to be recorded for those who can't attend?

Andisheh: In chat we were talking about if we'd need a zoom meeting - most of us think we do 1st in person to see how many people attend, pushing people to come later

Sarah: Usually when I see town halls they're recorded for information and record-keeping, so everyone can know what's going on

12:15 Dean of Instruction's Report - Laura Musselwhite

Couple of items that are related to the provost's office. First, the office of academic personnel are bringing in consultants to see how they do things. They have conflicting info and take a while to do forms, so we're getting an outside view and straightening things out. They're involving the branch dean admins as well; people like Margaret who do the actual processing

Restructuring provost work - Bill Stanley, their chair prof dev is going back to teaching so people are moving around. Hiring a replacement for the chair professional development, anyone can apply.

Lastly, ABQ has new requirements for non-standard payments. Always been a form but now documentation on details (fliers, agendas, etc). Needs more than just the original description. Not based on issues with branches, but the health science center was having massive issues,



audit showed they need more documentation on where money is going. If I ask you for an agenda or flier in the future, that's why

All campus academy on Friday. Someone from ABQ ombuds office is coming down. It is in person starting at 10. All about effective communication. I think in A101. If you just show up, that should be ok. Any questions?

12:20 Treasurer's Report - Andisheh Dadashi

Andisheh Our kettle is broken and we have to buy a new one. We're going to spend some money on this, so it's not the same amount as always. We also have enough for a new coffee machine

Andy Since we cant purchase food anymore, let us know if you have ideas

12:21 Committee Plans

Faculty Professional Development Committee

Andisheh: Have 10k left out of 25k. Not bad for early in the semester

12:21 Faculty Online Teaching & Review Committee

Kat Gullahorn: We meet this afternoon, will identify which classes will go under initial course review. Emails will go out in the next few weeks

12:22 Curriculum Committee

Laura: We had 1 meeting early in the month, approved tweaks to art & FDMA. Meeting next week to look at 2 new programs and that will wrap up curricular for the year. Program review in the spring

12:23 Adjunct Faculty Committee

Natalie Sheppard: Still just working on getting canvas approved and adjuncts paid for labor they're doing that they're not getting paid for

12:24 Faculty Senate Report (5 min)

Justin: Faculty Senate was in person this month, but I take less notes then because I get to talk to real people. Worked in groups, discussing concerns from senators across the board. While we haven't narrowed the list down to something we strategically target, we started narrowing down what to look at. Issues of how to increase student success, pay equity, hiring & recruitment benefits, creating transportation, free speech issues, strengthening faculty governance, campus safety. That's the large thing, I'll give a detailed report when it gets narrowed down.



Steven Romero: Cris mentioned a social justice committee, looking for folks interested in serving on that. Been some issues with TAs who have had FERPA related concerns, so building a faculty-specific training for that. Enrollment up, majority from CNM students. Search for a new athletics director

Justin: No one's reached out or taken initiative for the social justice committee, so while I'm happy to help start it, it can't be a committee without people. We'd want main people too, it's supposed to be for all campuses so it can't just be Valencia people.

With BCCC, our main bone to pick is Los Alamos continuing to not respond to faculty in a way that feels fair. Make sure folks there feel represented by their administration. First in-person meeting at LA later this year

12:28 Andiseh: The BCCC is different from College Council, yes?

Justin: Yes it's a subcommittee of faculty senate for branch campus senators

12:29 EIRG Update

Steven: We're trying to consolidate the EIRG and program development committees. There was a misunderstanding on the timeline. Handbook is reviewing the proposed changes at the moment, we should have those sent out within a few weeks. so we can have it read by the next meeting

12:30 T&P Update

Justin: Chairs & Laura & Jerry have met what to do with the new T&P rules. We've met, we've built our committees, and sent out a quick guide on the logic for what we're doing this transitional year and what we'll be doing moving forward. Trying to make the system more equitable and fair on all sides. Wanted to bring this up since we don't have other forums to share this. If anyone needs clarification please ask anytime.

12:32 New Business / Announcements

Cheryl: Friday the 25th, Scott is leading a trip for students & faculty up to Santa Fe. Art students, psych, history, lots of good incentives. Last time we did this was Fall 2018 and it was fun; go to the roundhouse & palace of the governors, then faculty & students split up. Train tickets are covered, breakfast burritos are provided on the way up

Andy: Do we just reach out to you?

Cheryl: Email Scott and let him know what station you'll be getting on. All students and faculty are welcome. A lot of our students have never been up to Santa Fe, so it's a great opportunity to expand students' horizons as well.

1238 Sarah: Submission form for the faculty & staff art show. Staff really shows up every time



Steven: Week of events for dia de las muertos. Zoom event on the 28th; culture & history from indigenous roots to modern version. Workshop with an artist from santa fe. Wednesday & Thursday have various workshops:& events & food. Sponsored through PASOS & EIRG.

12:40 Joshua Frank Cardenas: Institute of American Indian Education is hosting a curriculum fair. 8 - 3 on Saturday the 26th. The flier is in the newsletter

Jerry Godbout: One week from now, Mol Day! We're blowing stuff up. LRC101 and outside. 1130 to 1

Andisheh: Tomorrow, college council

12:42 Adjournment