



University of New Mexico
STAFF COUNCIL MEETING
May 21, 2013
SUB, Lobo A&B

Members Present: Sophia Alvarez, Emily Arzate, Joaquin Baca, Bradford Beck, Carol Bernhard, Anne Burtnett, Gloria Carol, Mary Clark, Marjorie Crow, Renee Delgado-Riley, Tyson Eakman, Chris Gallegos, Mike Gatchell, Danielle Gilliam, Veronica Griego, Christopher Gutierrez, Gene Henley, Jarrett Hines-Kay, Traci Jastrzemski, Joanne Kuestner, Juan Larranaga, Karen Mann, Suzanne McConaghy, Shawn McGee, Marie McGhee, Kathy McKinstry, Stephen Murillo, Amie Ortiz, Melissa Pacheco-Armijo, Stella Ramos, Mark Reynolds, Ann Rickard, Frances Rico, Joni Roberts, Carla Sakiestewa, Deanna Sanchez-Mulcahy, Marie St Claire, Kathy Turner, Justin Walters, Tracy Wenzl, James Wernicke and Tish Young.

Members Excused: Natalie Bruner, Pam Castaldi, Michael Chavez-Kerr, LaNika Espinoza-DeVault, Lisa Gilmore, Jean Griffin, Nathan Holscher, Michele Navarette, Chelsea Beth Walker and Daniel Weems.

Members Absent: Danelle Callan, Kenneth Carpenter, Crystal Davis, Janisha Garcia, Dominic Pruitt, Gina Urias-Sandoval, and Bridgette Wagner-Jones.

Parliamentarian: Adam Hathaway, Professional Registered Parliamentarian.

Call to Order: at 1:06 p.m. by Mary Clark, Presiding Officer.

Seating of Newly Elected Councilors

On behalf of the Rules & Elections Committee, Mann moved approval to seat the new Councilors representing the Grades. This was approved by the Council.

Agenda, approved.

Minutes of April 16, 2013 approved.

The Year in Review

President Clark gave a brief summary of her year as Staff Council President.

Election of Executive Committee

On behalf of the Rules & Elections Committee, Mann called for additional nominations for the offices of President, President Elect and Speaker. Hearing none and declaring the positions uncontested, Mann announced that the President is Gene Henley, the President Elect is Renee Delgado-Riley and the Speaker is Tracy Wenzl. Speaker Wenzl called for additional nominations for the office of Treasurer. Hearing none and declaring the position uncontested, Speaker Wenzl announced that the Treasurer is Karen Mann.

Speaker Wenzl called for additional nominations for the two offices of Grade at Large Representative. Councilors Pam Castaldi, Mark Reynolds and Chelsea Beth Walker self-nominated. There were 42 votes cast with 22 votes required for a majority. Reynolds received 35 votes, Walker received 26 votes and Castaldi received 22 votes. Speaker Wenzl declared Reynolds and Walker winners of the election for Grade at Large Representative.

Speaker Wenzl called for additional nominations for the two offices of Precinct at Large Representative. Councilors Carol

Bernhard, Marjorie Crow, Traci Jastrzemski and Kathy Turner self-nominated. There were 39 votes cast with 20 votes required for a majority. Bernhard received 27 votes, Crow received 19 votes, Jastrzemski received 16 votes and Turner received 15 votes. Bernhard received a majority of votes and Speaker Wenzl declared her winner as one of the Precinct at Large Representatives. Turner was eliminated from the race because she received the lowest number of votes. A second vote was taken with a contest between Jastrzemski and Crow. There were 39 votes cast with 20 votes required for a majority. Jastrzemski received 20 votes and Crow received 19 votes. Speaker Wenzl declared Jastrzemski the winner of the election for Precinct at Large Representative. The two Precinct at Large Representatives are Carol Bernhard and Traci Jastrzemski.

Constituent Comments

No comments.

Councilor Comments

Councilor Carol commented on issues raised by her constituents concerning health insurance tiers. She also requested that the Faculty Staff Benefits Committee collect information on the costs of administrating VEBA.

Councilor McConaghy invited the Councilors to a Toastmasters Open House.

Councilor McKinstry solicited new members for the Rewards & Recognition Committee.

Councilor Baca commented on an issued raised by a constituent who asked if UNM would consider paying all employees on a bi-weekly basis.

Installation Ceremony

Past President, Mary Clark, read the Staff Council Code of Ethics and asked that all newly seated Grade Representatives and Executive Committee members abide by the Code. Clark pronounced the members installed.

Presentation of Awards

Past President Clark presented Speaker Wenzl with the official Staff Council gavel.

President Henley presented Mary Clark with the Staff Council Past President's award.

Approval of Parliamentarian

Speaker Wenzl recommended the appointment of Adam Hathaway, PRP, as Staff Council Parliamentarian for 2013-2014. This was approved by the Council.

Speaker's Report

Speaker Wenzl gave a brief update of the 2013 Staff Appreciation Month events. Speaker Wenzl reminded the Staff Council Committee Chairs to review and update their committee rosters. She also reminded them that all committee requests need to be submitted to the Executive Committee through the Speaker.

Speaker Wenzl recommended that Marcos Abeyta fill the vacant Precinct 15 seat. This was approved by the Council.

New Business

On behalf of the Rules & Elections Committee, Karen Mann notified the Councilors of proposed revisions to the Staff Council Bylaws. These revisions will be considered by the Council at the June business meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Meadows, Administrative Officer, Staff Council Office.

The meeting, in its entirety, can be viewed by going to <http://staffcouncil.unm.edu>.