

University of New Mexico
STAFF COUNCIL MEETING
January 17, 2017
SUB, Lobo A&B

Members Present: Rob Burford, John Byram, Danelle Callan, Pam Castaldi, Brooke Cholka, Mary Clark, Josh Clifford, Aaron Cowan, Marjorie Crow, Jessica Esquibel, Cynthia Gonzales, Ryan Gregg, Erica Grong, Megan Hauser, Christine Heinemeyer, Joe Lane, Melissa Meier, Rosemary Melendrez, Ray Mitchell, Jodi Perry, Lori Peterkin, Carla Sakiestewa, Kenneth Schaaf, Jessica Serna, Nancy Shane, Albert Tafoya, Jasmine Torres and Gina Urias-Sandoval.

Members Excused: Valerie Apodaca, Lukas Cash, Andrew Castellano, TC Chavez, Colleen Cox, Cindy Garcia, Mary Jane Lueras, Mike Mulcahy, Stella Ramos, Felicia Rider, Joni Roberts, Kristina Rucker, Susy Salvo, Lisa Walden and Daniel Weems.

Members Absent: Brad Beck, Crystal Davis, Laura Hawkey, David Jones, Janet Luarkie, Annette Mares-Duran, Emmett Martinez, Mira McMillan, Melissa Pacheco-Armijo, Mark Russell and Tish Young.

Parliamentarian: Adam Hathaway, Professional Registered Parliamentarian.

Call to Order: at 1:06 p.m. by Speaker Mary Clark.

Agenda, approved.

Minutes of November 15, 2016, approved.

Constituent Comments

No comments.

Guest Speakers

Daniel Ortega, Research Professor of Law, spoke about the new UNM Masters of Law Program.

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Professional Registered Parliamentarian, Adam Hathaway spoke about incidental motions.

President's Report, President Elect Aaron Cowan for President Danelle Callan

President Callan gave a brief update on her meetings and activities for the months of December 2016 and January 2017. She also gave a brief update from the Budget Leadership Team meetings.

The implementation of a 2017 Spring Break RAD Camp is moving forward with the help of UNM Recreational Services.

President Callan discussed an issue that the Faculty Staff Benefits Committee is working on regarding a proposed change in leave accruals.

President Callan stated that the implementation of the FLSA changes have been temporarily stopped pending a final decision by the federal government.

President Callan recommended that Councilors Brooke Cholka and Gina Urias-Sandoval serve on the university-wide LoboRESPECT Steering Committee. This was approved.

For a complete report, please refer to the Staff Council website at <http://staffcouncil.unm.edu/>.

Executive Committee Report

President Elect Cowan stated that staff feedback regarding the next UNM president has been forwarded to the search committee. These and other comments from other constituent groups resulted in a new 12-page job description, which may

delay the hiring of a new UNM president.

President Elect Cowan gave a brief update from the Regent's Finance and Facilities committee meeting.

The Executive Committee discussed a resolution written by ASUNM that allows individuals to carry non-lethal weapons on campus. For now, the Executive Committee will monitor this resolution to see if it is passed by ASUNM.

The Executive Committee sent a letter to President Abdallah outlining their concerns about a potential controversial guest that is scheduled to speak on our campus on 1/27/17.

Speaker's Report, Speaker Mary Clark

Speaker Clark recommended that Gene Henley fill the vacant Grade 15 seat on the Staff Council. This was approved.

Speaker Clark recommended that Councilor Jodi Perry fill the vacant seat on the Ethics Committee. This was approved.

After a brief discussion about the status of the Staff Councilor Engagement Committee, Speaker Clark called for a vote to discharge the committee. This was approved and the committee will be discharged. Councilor Perry suggested that the committee submit a final report to the Council.

Speaker Clark gave a brief update about 2017 New Mexico Legislative Session and how to contact legislative representatives.

Speaker Clark recognized Councilors Joe Lane and Gina Urias-Sandoval, who spoke about former Councilor, Susan Hessney-Moore, who recently passed away.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sakiestewa gave a brief update about the Staff Council finances.

New Business

No new business.

Committee Reports

The following Staff Council Committee representatives provided information about activities, events and initiatives: Josh Clifford for the Communications and Marketing Committee, Nancy Shane for the HSCS Committee and Gene Henley for the Faculty Staff Benefits Committee.

Councilor Comments

Jodi Perry stated that her department is currently undergoing an audit to look at reserves. She also expressed concern that discretionary funds would also be under review.

Nancy Shane commented about the availability of day parking passes.

Ray Mitchell commented about the budget and the different percentages between main and north campus.

Danelle Callan stated that three seats on the Board of Regents will soon be vacant with new appointments forthcoming.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Meadows, Administrative Officer of the Staff Council.

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<http://staffcouncil.unm.edu/staff%20council%20business%20meetings/index.html>