



## REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

June 17, 2025

Zoom

**Members Present:** Precious Allen, Marcus Anderson, Michael Baca, Angela Beauchamp, Vanessa Chavez, Li Chen, Sharina Desai, Deena Duran, Mark Fischer, Mollie Hayden, Chelsea Kies, Sierra Kowalski, Marco Lopez, Wendy Gaytan Marin, Brynn McCabe-Kelly, Frankie McQuerry, Stephen Murillo, Colton Newman, Ivan Olay, Arnie Ortiz, Zachary Peterson, Mary Phibbs, Araceli Ramirez, Natalie Rowe, Christina Rucker, Carla Sakiestewa, Yadéeh Sawyer, John Shaski, Nicole Smith, Damion Terrell, Quinton Wes Valencia, Anneliese Ward, Winton Wood, Robinson Worley

**Members Excused:** Angel J. Baca, Grace Faustino, Frankie Florez, Marvin Gouch, Jennifer Kavka, Madeline Pennington, Jairo E. Marshall, Jennifer Payne, Sarah Treviso

**Members Absent:** Chantel Anaya, John Bell, Sarah Caswell, Gilbert Gaillegos, Jessica Hitzman, Lorraine Koleski, Regis Lacher, Joseph Lane, Jhoniq Lentsch, Amanda Ortiz,

- I. **Opening, 1:06 pm**, *Speaker Sierra Kowalski called the meeting to order.*
- II. **Roll Call: Sierra Kowalski** *Speaker Kowalski called the roll of members, and quorum was established.*
- III. **Approve Agenda** *With unanimous consent, the agenda was approved.*
- IV. **[Land Acknowledgement](#)** *Councilor Amie Ortiz read the Acknowledgement.*
- V. **Approve Minutes** from 05/20/25 *With unanimous consent, the approval of the minutes was tabled until next session.*
- VI. **Motion: Rearrange Agenda** *With unanimous consent, the agenda was re-arranged.*
- VII. **Constituent Comments** *No comments.*
- VIII. **Recognition of 2023-2024 Year of Service for Immediate Past President**, *President Damion Terrell recognized Ivan Olay with the presentation of a plaque.*
- IX. **Recognition of 2023-2024 Year of Service for Speaker**, *President Damion Terrell recognized Amie Ortiz with the presentation of a plaque.*
- X. **Guest Speakers:** *Dr. Chris Elder (Faculty Senate President) first thanked Staff Council for our engagement and leadership. She shared the development and passage of the Mutual Academic Defense Compact in UNM Faculty Senate. A discussion followed.*
- XI. **Reports**
  - a. **President's Report**, President Damion Terrell: *President Terrell presented the report to the Staff Council.*
  - b. **Executive Committee Report**, President-Elect Joe Lane: *President-Elect Lane presented the report.*
  - c. **Speaker's Report**, Speaker Sierra Kowalski: *Speaker Kowalski presented the report.*
  - d. **Treasurer's Report**, Treasurer Carla Sakiestewa: *Treasurer Sakiestewa presented the report.*
  - e. **Committee Reports**
    - i. **Ethics:** *Member presented the report.*
    - ii. **Rules and Elections:** *No new report.*
    - iii. **Communications & Marketing:** *No new report.*
    - iv. **Compensation, Promotion, and Retention:** *Member presented the report.*

- v. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: *Member presented the report.*
- vi. Environmental Sustainability: *Member presented the report.*
- vii. Government Relations: *Member presented the report.*
- viii. HSCS (Health Sciences Center Staff): *Member presented the report.*
- ix. Technology: *Member presented the report.*
- x. Rewards and Recognition: *Member presented the report.*
- xi. Staff Success: *Member presented the report.*
- xii. Strategic Planning: *Member presented the report.*
- xiii. UNM Policy Review: *No new report.*
- xiv. FSBC (Faculty Staff Benefits Committee): *Member presented the report.*

**XII. Councilor Introductions**

- a. Speaker Sarah Kowalski**
- b. Councilor Anderson (P16)**

**XIII. Councilor Comments & Announcements: *None***

**XIV. Adjourned, 3:04PM**