EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
Board of Regents Meeting
ENMU-Portales, Administration Building, Regents Room
December 14 - 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER
Regent President Jane Christensen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and declared a quorum. Regents Jane Christensen, Kekoa VonSchriltz and Regent Terry Othick were present and Regent Dan Patterson joined telephonically. Regent Edwin Tatum was not in attendance.

APPROVE THE AGENDA
Regent Patterson moved to amend the agenda by moving items 5, 6 and 7 currently under regular business to the consent agenda. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Regent Othick moved to approve the agenda as amended. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Regent VonSchriltz moved to approve the minutes of October 12, 2018 as presented. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD
Regent President Jane Christensen welcomed everyone to the meeting. She commented on her attendance at the ENMU-Roswell Commencement ceremony the previous evening and how nice the new facility is.

REPORT FROM ENMU-ROSWELL PRESIDENT
No report from the ENMU-Roswell president due to his speaking engagement at New Mexico Military Institute.

REPORT FROM THE RUIDOSO PRESIDENT
Dr. Ryan Carstens provided a handout to the Regents with updates from the ENMU-Ruidoso campus. Among these updates were the renewal of the operating agreement with the Community College Board. This agreement is currently under redesign and will be reviewed by Dr. Elwell prior to the March 29, 2019 Board of Regents meeting in Ruidoso.

Dr. Carstens said that there has been discussion with the Ruidoso Independent School District on Early College High School as they hope to expand their Dual Credit program. This has been approved to become an academy wherein all programs will be in one facility (Ruidoso High School). A press release will be coming out in the Ruidoso News.

Dr. Carstens reported on “Learning Signature” college wide outcomes. This project has been developed to understand how the institution can help students and affect them in positive ways. The first student has completed the project this semester.

Dr. Carstens said that ENMU-Ruidoso has an art show each winter and late spring. The gallery-like setting will be in the foyer of their building with pieces for sale.
REPORT FROM THE CHANCELLOR OF THE ENMU SYSTEM
Dr. Jeff Elwell reported on his recent attendance of the Legislative Finance Committee meeting. Dual Credit in underserved areas was a topic of discussion led by Senator Munoz, who suggested funding of this program at 25% of tuition costs at the institution at which it is being taught. Also mentioned was the understanding that if the program is eliminated, there will be many unhappy citizen parents and school superintendents.

Dr. Elwell reported further discussion from the LFC meeting, including the increase in new monies from the expansion of the oil and gas industry in the state, which have been reduced down to $1.1 billion in recurring revenue and $800 million in one-time revenue. These monies will be heavily relied upon for the pending PED lawsuit, the underfunded pension systems as well as the Governor elect’s interest in early childhood programs. It is unclear at this time how much funding will be moved toward higher education, although there seems to be a decent amount of money available for capital outlay, which would involve the additional costs to cover the Greyhound arena roof.

Dr. Elwell gave copies of the Quarterly System Meeting notes to the Regents and stated that he is happy with ENMU-Roswell and Ruidoso’s progress toward unified policies.

Dr. Elwell reported that we are at $600,000 in the first five months of fund raising. In addition, there are a few known estate funds coming as well as scholarship gifts for this fiscal year.

Dr. Elwell said that this is the largest fall graduating class at 563 students. This number confirms that more students are completing their programs, which is one of ENMU’s goals. ENMU is ranked 25th in the country for the lowest debt rate at graduation.

Dr. Elwell reported on spring enrollment and said that numbers may be down from last spring. Students who have not yet enrolled for next semester are being contacted.

BUSINESS MATTERS
Consent Agenda
1. 2019-2020 Official Holiday Schedule (Dr. Jeff Elwell, Action)
2. Fall 2018 Graduation List, Portales (Mr. Clark Elswick, Action)
3. Fall 2018 Graduation List, Roswell (Dr. Shawn Powell, Action)
4. Budget Adjustment Request, Portales (Mr. Scott Smart, Action)
5. Budget Adjustment Request, Roswell (Dr. Shawn Powell, Action)
6. Budget Adjustment Request, Ruidoso (Dr. Ryan Carstens, Action)

Regent Othick moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Regent VonSchultz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Other Items
1. Amendments to policies, amended Professional Senate Constitution and Bylaws
   Dr. Patrice Caldwell presented a number of policies for examination. She reported that the process of consultation is going well with input from Roswell and Ruidoso and further work will continue in the spring.
Dr. Caldwell expounded on the changes for both personnel and Regent policies stating that system language and the addition of the Chancellor title are the only required changes.

Dr. Caldwell also reported that amendments to the Professional Senate Constitution and by-laws have been voted on by their constituencies and were approved. She added that there was voting representation from ENMU-Ruidoso.

*Regent Othick moved to approve the amended policies and Professional Senate’s constitution and bylaws as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

2. **Draft ENMU-Portales Strategic Plan**
   Dr. Caldwell said that proposals have gone through the Budget and Planning committee and she clarified that this proposal does not show the measures that will be evaluated. These measures will be reported on in the future. She also stated that these proposed goals follow the pattern of previous years but are not necessarily in order of importance.

*Regent Patterson moved to approve the draft of the ENMU-Portales Strategic Plan as presented. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

3. **Proposed 2019-2020 Tuition and Fees Rates, Portales**
   Mr. Scott Smart stated that this proposal would generate an estimated $600,000 and would leave us in the most affordable category. Mr. Smart also said that salary increases would not likely come out of these proposed rates but rather from the state.

*Regent Othick moved to approve the proposed 2019-2020 tuition and fees rates as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

4. **Proposed 2019-2020 Rates for Room and Board, Portales**
   Dr. Jeff Long proposed a 2% increase in room and board rates to cover the cost of supplies and utilities. He stated that the lowest resident hall increase would be $35 and the highest, $65.

Dr. Long said that the second part of his proposal covers the provision for cohabitation in San Juan Village, which would only be allowed for eligible, upper-class students.

*Regent Othick moved to approve the proposed 2019-2020 rates for room and board as presented. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

**REAGENT MATTERS**

1. **Election of Officers**
   President Jane Christensen asked for nominations for the office of president.

*Regent Othick moved to elect Regent Edwin Tatum as president of the Board of Regents. Regent Patterson seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*

President Christensen asked for nominations for the office of vice president.

*Regent Patterson moved to elect Regent Terry Othick as vice president of the Board of Regents. Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.*
President Christensen asked for nominations for secretary/treasurer with the intent that Regent VonSchriltz continue in this position until he is replaced by a new student Regent who will assume the position.

Regent Patterson moved to elect Regent Kekoa VonSchriltz as secretary/treasurer of the Board of Regents. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

2. Committee Selections
President Christensen asked for nominations for the Audit and Finance committee. Both Regents Tatum and Patterson agreed to remain on this committee for another year.

Regent Othick moved to continue with Regents Tatum and Patterson on the Audit and finance committee.
Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

3. Revised Board of Regents Calendar
President Christensen presented the revised Board of Regents calendar for 2019 and clarified the changed date of Homecoming to September 28.

Regent Othick moved to approve the revised Board of Regents calendar for 2019 as presented.
Regent VonSchriltz seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

4. Tailgating Policy Review
President Christensen said that Dr. Patrice Caldwell has been instrumental in getting conversation going on this topic through the tailgating committee. She said it has been her desire to receive input from students and their perspective on this topic.

Dr. Caldwell reported that there has been a notable decrease in attendance at tailgating events with a few possible contributing factors, including the over stressed alcohol restrictions. To date, there have been very few incidences and attendees have been very conscientious and law abiding. She also said that Melissa Lee, Assistant Athletic Director for Marketing, has been asked to head a committee to invigorate tailgating and would emphasize on the promotion of athletic events.

Mr. Draco Miller, Director of Stadium Operations, reported that students want more entertainment at these events such as live music, zip-lining, mechanical bull riding, etc. with the overall promotion of team spirit. In addition, he said that student government plans to become more involved next year and hope to bring more unified student involvement.

Dr. Greg Waggoner, Director of Athletics, offered a recap on this matter stating that he believes that tailgating should ultimately provide more energy around sporting events and promote team spirit. He suggested creating more synergy at the entrance of events with cross marketing from Athletics and Campus Life. In addition, it has been suggested that the parking lot be opened up more and encourage a more collaborative effort to bring groups together for tailgating.
5. **Update on Energy Project with Bernhard Energy**

Mr. Scott Smart reported that ENMU has entered into a contract with Mr. Steve House and he will assist the university in the development of this project and obtaining the necessary approvals from the various state agencies that will have oversight over this project. At present, Mr. House is analyzing our utility usage as he begins to develop an understanding of the sizing of our project.

Regent Othick added that even the auto industry is moving away from fossil fuels and it would behoove us to move forward, even if only symbolically, toward renewable energies.

6. **Presidential Residence Next Steps**

Regent Terry Othick introduced Mr. Matt McKim of Dekker, Perich and Sabatini Architectural Firm from Albuquerque to present an array of different ideas for remodeling or building a new President’s residence. Regent Othick explained that this firm has visited the current residence to make an assessment of the needs of future inhabitants with a variety of considerations. He also stated that this topic has been a matter of discussion prior to the arrival of President Elwell and that the Regents are especially interested in the overall structural and architectural condition of the home. Regent Othick said that it is desire of the Regents to better understand the perception is of the stakeholders. In turn, a survey was developed and released this to faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members for their input, and recommendations. Results from this survey will be made available to the Regents prior to the January meeting.

Mr. McKim said that he and his group of designers and architects have worked to understand the goals and vision for this home. He reported that they understand that the overarching goal is to attract and retain the next high-level president and provide a space for attracting potential donors at events hosted in this facility. The two primary needs are a public space for entertaining as well as private living quarters for the president and his family.

Mr. McKim presented the following recommendations:

- **Renovation of existing home** (*with 15% State wage premium*)

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  **Estimated total project with soft costs** $490,375

- **Construction of new 3,500 sq. ft. home:** (*with 15% State wage premium*)

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  **Estimated total project with soft costs** $704,375
• Construction of new 2,500 sq. ft. home: (*with 15% State wage premium)

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Estimated total project with soft costs $503,125

In summary, Mr. McKim said that the current residence is in great condition and has been well kept, however there are several concerns. The present layout is impractical and is completely energy inefficient. Although the roof is in good shape, there are concerns about the asbestos content in the plaster and insulation. The project cost estimates break down to 75% bricks and mortar and 25% for design fees, special inspections and NMGRT.

7. Briefing and Q&A Regarding President’s Residence
Regent Othick covered this agenda item in the previous presentation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Regent Othick moved to enter executive session at 12:31 p.m. to discuss three items pertaining to threatened or pending litigation involving the University pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7), NMSA (1978). Regent Patterson seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

Roll call: Regent Christensen – Yes; Regent Tatum – No; VonSchrilz – Yes; Regent Othick – Yes; Regent Patterson – Yes

Regent Patterson moved to return to open session at 1:32 p.m. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

1. Regent President Christensen reported that the regents discussed three items pertaining to threatened or pending litigation involving the University pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7), NMSA (1978).

ADJOURNMENT
Regent VonSchrilz moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:33 p.m. Regent Othick seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0. Motion approved.

President of the Board

Secretary of the Board

Minutes recorded and transcribed by Karen Van Ruiten
Executive Secretary to the President and Board of Regents