



**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS
REGULAR MEETING
March 9, 2020 at 9:00am**

Regents Room of the Educational Services Building
NMSU Las Cruces Campus, 1780 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico

Regents of New Mexico State University - Chair Dina Chacón-Reitzel, Vice Chair Ammu Devasthali, Secretary/Treasurer Luke Sanchez, Debra Hicks, Arsenio Romero

Non-Voting Advisory Members - ASNMSU President Evan Conner, Faculty Senate Chair Becky Corran, Employee Council Chair Sonia A. White

University Officials - Chancellor Dan E. Arvizu, Ph.D., President John D. Floros, Ph.D., Provost Carol Parker, J.D., Vice Chancellor and Chief Strategic Financial Officer Ruth A. Johnston, Ph.D., Senior Vice President Andrew Burke, Ed.D., General Counsel Roy Collins III, J.D.

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A. Call to Order, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Regent Devasthali called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

1. Introductions

Introduction of the Media and Elected Officials, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

No media or elected officials were present.

Introduction of Officials

-Recently elected Employee Council Chair Letty Gallegos, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Ms. White introduced the newly elected Chair of NMSU Employee Council, Letty Gallegos noting her experience at NMSU for the past eight years and other educational institutions for the past 25 years including various roles and duties. She was born and raised in El Paso, Texas and. Ms. Gallegos is currently a Lead Academic Advisor at the Center for Academic Advising and Student Support. Before moving to the Center for Academic Advising and Student Support she was the Academic Advisor for the Department of Public Health Sciences. Ms. White noted her strong passion for student success.

Ms. Gallegos holds a Masters of Arts in Training and Organizational Development from Amberton University, an Masters of Science Degree in Student Affairs Management and Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication, Radio, Film, Television from University of North Texas.

-Recently confirmed Regent Arsenio Romero, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Regent Devasthali introduced Regent Romero noting the he was appointed to the NMSU Board of Regents by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham and confirmed by the New Mexico Senate on February 17, 2020.

He has more than 23 years of leadership, managerial and executive experience. He also has a proven track

record of leading large-scale initiatives focused on student achievement, financial management, human capital strategy, and other strategically significant areas.

Regent Romero has served as superintendent and CEO of Deming Public Schools since 2017. Previously, he was assistant superintendent for instruction and turnaround for the Roswell Independent School District from 2015-2017. Since 2013, he has been a lead performance coach/executive coach for the New Mexico Public Education Department. He has also served as an elementary teacher, a principal and as an adjunct professor at NMSU and Western New Mexico University.

Regent Romero has a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education and a Ph.D. in educational management and development, both from NMSU. He also has a master's degree in educational administration and leadership from the University of New Mexico.

2. Confirmation of Quorum, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Board staff noted that Regents Romero, Hicks, Devasthali were in the board room. Regent Chacon-Reitzel and Regent Sanchez joined the meeting by phone.

3. Approval of the Agenda, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Regent Hicks moved to approve the agenda as presented with a second by Regent Romero. Motion passed.

4. Public Comment, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

No one had signed up for public comment.

B. Consent Items, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Regent Chacón-Reitzel moved approval of the consent items as presented with a second from Regent Hicks. Motion Passed.

1. Honorary Degree Recipient Nominees, Interim Vice President Leslie Cervantes

2. Access to Classified Information Resolution, General Counsel Roy Collins III

3. 2020 Annual Open Meetings Notice Resolution, General Counsel Roy Collins III

C. Action Items, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

1. Election of Officers, Vice Chairwoman Ammu Devasthali

Nominations for election of Chair were opened by Regent Devasthali.

Regent Devasthali nominated Regent Chacón-Reitzel for Chair. Regent Hicks seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed. There being no other nominations for Chair, Regent Dina Chacón-Reitzel was elected Chair by acclamation.

Nominations for election of Vice Chair were opened by Regent Devasthali.

Regent Chacón-Reitzel nominated Regent Devasthali for Vice Chair. Regent Romero seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed. There being no other nominations for Vice Chair, Regent Ammu Devasthali was elected Chair by acclamation.

Nominations for election of Secretary/Treasurer were opened by Regent Devasthali.

Regent Chacón-Reitzel nominated Regent Sanchez for Secretary/Treasurer. Regent Devasthali seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed. There being no other nominations for Secretary/Treasurer, Regent Luke Sanchez was elected Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

D. Announcements, Chair

Regent Devasthali noted the upcoming meeting dates listed in the agenda. In addition, Regent Devasthali wished the Women's and Men's Basketball teams the best of luck in the upcoming Western Athletic Conference Basketball tournament in Las Vegas.

Regent Hicks asked for clarification of the basketball schedule. Interim Associate Vice President Leslie Cervantes noted that the schedule is going forward as planned and schedule information will be distributed to the staff and Regents by email.

1. Upcoming Board of Regents Meetings, Chair

April 3, 2020 – Board of Regents Regular Meeting

May 14, 2020 – Board of Regents Regular Meeting

September 11, 2020 – Board of Regents Regular Meeting in Alamogordo

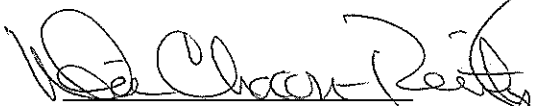
October 22, 2020 – October 23, 2020 – Board of Regents Retreat (Location TBD)


December 10, 2020 – Board of Regents Regular Meeting

E. Adjournment, Chair

Motion to adjourned entered by Regent Hicks with a second by Regent Romero. Meeting adjourned at 9:18 AM.

Meeting Minutes Approved on April 21, 2020 by the New Mexico State University Board of Regents.


Dina Chacón-Reitzel
Board of Regents Chair


Luke Sanchez
Board of Regents Secretary/Treasurer