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2 Associated Students of New Mexico Highlands University
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4 Regular meeting:

5 I. Call to order:

6 The regular meeting of the Associated Students of New Mexico Highlands University was
7 called to order on August 31, 2008 at 9:38 a.m.
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9 II. Pledge of allegiance

10 III. Roll Call:

11 All senators were present except: Senator Marquez & Senator Salas

12 IV. Approval agenda:

13 All senators and executives were asked to review the agenda. Senator Rael asked that the
14 approval of the minutes should be added right after approval of the agenda. Second was
15 made by Senator Maestas motion carried. There was no discussion. Senator Rael made a
16 motion to add President Pro-Temp C. Ulibarri as letter E. under officer reports. Second was
17 followed by Senator Glenn. Motioned then carried. Senator Mbanga made a motion to add
18 career center as item B to new business and Senator Martinez second this. Senator Maestas
19 made a motion to add discussion of officers on campus carrying weapons as letter C under
20 new business. There was discussion on this and after a vote it came down to it being
21 postponed for a later date because there was debate and not enough time.

22 V. Approval of Minutes:

23 Senators had previously been asked to review the minutes from the last meeting. The
24 following were changes that needed to be adjusted:

25 President line 22 and 27 ADHOC.

26 Line 24 NMHU

27 Line 29 second line Stephen Salas not Stephen Garcia.

28 Page 3 line 14 Ndem nominated Siben

29 Page 2 line 22 Seantor Fields name is spelt wrong.

30 Line 24 page 3 shirts would-senators. (spelling)

31 Page 1 line 39 Larissa –Last name is Baca

32 Line 32 page 1 Torivio (spelling)

33 Senator Rael made the motion to approve the minutes and Senator C. Ulibarri had the second
34 to approve the minutes.

35 VI. Officer reports

36 A. President Parra-Perez:

37 President Parra-Perez started off by thanking everyone for a good and productive weekend.
38 Concerns about ABL have been brought up to her by other students. They are very unhappy
39 with the way that the meal plans are being handled by ABL. She suggested that senators
40 should ask other students on campus what they think about this and what their suggestions
41 might be. President Parra-Perez also mentioned that we need to figure out the name of the

42 new residence halls. Another concern and issue that was brought up was that the weight room
43 hours are not listed for individuals who are not athletes. Therefore this is making it very
44 difficult for students to access this facility in a timely manner. Faculty has three hours to
45 work out in the middle of the day and one senator made a comment that they probably don't
46 use these times because usually they are teaching in the day. President Parra-Perez did
47 mention that she was going to meet with Justin James to talk more about the issue and see
48 what changes can be made. A concern from one of the students is that there are athletes who
49 go to work out on their own and are told by the workers of the facility that they can't be in the
50 workout area without their coach. There are selective teams that are able to work out there
51 without their coach and this is seen as unfair. The concern they had is that people using the
52 equipment could be damaged and destroyed without the supervision of their coaches. Senator
53 Means made a statement that a lot of students are not on the schedule and are getting kicked
54 out and have talked to him personally about this situation to see what they can do to get this
55 fixed. President Parra-Perez made a note that she is going to be meeting with someone from
56 that department to further discuss this. Vice President Cordova-Romero did mention that this
57 was of great concern to the majority of students because this facility is supposed to be used
58 for all students, but within the times of it being opened only athletics have been able to access
59 it freely without major troubles. She stated that there should be prime time for all students
60 and this is a reoccurring subject that comes up every year. Senator Rael mentioned that the
61 times that are set for non student athletes are not convenient for students because they are
62 usually in class at this time being that most classes take place in the early morning or mid
63 afternoon. He also said times proposed aren't sustainable for the majority of the students.
64 Senator Lopez mentioned that sports are always practicing during those day hours and that's
65 why students who aren't in athletics have those hours. It was nothing planned it's the only
66 time athletes could work out because of time conflicts with practices and study hall. Vice
67 President Butts asked how we should go about this in taking the correct steps in actually
68 trying to get this situation settled once and for all. She thinks that the teams should have set
69 times so that it's imperative for them to work out together as a team. The questions that was
70 brought to the table however was, how should we propose a time for fairness within
71 everyone? President Parra-Perez mentioned about the security light poles that are supposed
72 to be going up soon. She along with Vice President from the Graduate Senate looked around
73 to see where these poles were needed and best see fit. She gave a brief description about how
74 they will work and did state that they will be directly connected to campus police and
75 security. A concern that's a big issue is on how everyone is going to respond to this and how
76 fast is campus security going to respond to such events. When will be camera be monitored
77 and is it going to be a 24/7 grace period and who's going to be watching them. President
78 Parra-Perez mentioned that we could bring in the head security to discuss this a little more or
79 we could hold a student forum. Senator Rael mentioned response time should be very quick
80 from 2-5 minutes. Senator Tresor asked if they were going to base their judgment on the time
81 to respond to such a event by what they see on the cameras? President Parra-Perez
82 mentioned that the t-shirt that we would have would be the cowboy on the side with the
83 Polaroid looking things on the back with everyone's team colors.

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B. Vice President Butts-

86 Thanked everyone for making great effort while at the retreat and having good team work.
87 She also mentioned how much fun we had. The teams were briefly discussed mentioning that
88 we will be getting team points for events that everyone attends. This is supposed to be a
89 friendly competition. Vice President Butts talked a little about Club HU and mentioned that
90 in our budget we had \$4,000 to work with. We are responsible for paying the DJ and
91 security. There is a requirement that there has to be extra security for this event. Vice
92 President Butts thinks we should examine how much we have for Club HU because we are
93 limited on the amount of money we can spend per semester. She also mentioned that we
94 need to take on a little more control of what's going on with our money and the events of
95 Club HU instead of going through Margaret. If we are paying for it she would like us to know
96 what's going on. It's been of some concern to some students about the previous DJ who was
97 only playing one type of music. These events are going to be set on the shoulder of activities
98 board and they will determine what days they see best fit for hosting Club HU. Treasure
99 Lopez had a questions and asked if campus life is going to help pay for any of it. VP Butts
100 addressed the questions and noted that senate will be paying for ALL expenses. Senator
101 Means asked if it was \$4000 per year or semester. VP Butts made it clear that it was per
102 semester. VP Butts mentioned that there was some concerns about Club HU. Here were a
103 few of the concerns mentioned: students said the incidents were that there were fights and
104 people coming in intoxicated to the dance, fights were being carried back to the dorms, and
105 there wasn't enough security. Senator Siben commented on the music and proposed that we
106 have a balance on the music because the majority of students who go to these dances are
107 American's, and the international students would like to listen to some of their own music
108 also. So maybe if it could be a possibility to address this to the DJ and make sure there is a
109 good variety of music. Senator Martinez made a statement that we need to look into moving
110 Club HU into the ballroom because it's been too packed and there is not enough room to
111 dance. Senator Rael commented that if we moved Club HU that would create more of an
112 expense on security and we might not be able to fit that into the budget. VP Butts said we
113 would talk more about this in our next meeting and when we have our two weeks of pleasure.
114 She also mentioned that there was going to be a club and organization meeting on Friday and
115 encourages every Senator to be there. These meetings would be taking place at noon every
116 first Friday of the month. Everyone gets points for showing up at the end of the year for Club
117 of the Year. President Pro Temp Ulibarri asked if we should still go to the meeting if you
118 aren't chartered and VP Butts replied that everyone needs to charter. Senator Means asked
119 how it was going to work to allow other clubs to host Club HU and we were still responsible
120 for the DJ and security for those events. VP Butts said that the clubs can sponsor the nights
121 with the different types of music and themes. The next thing VP Butts talked about was the
122 name plates and to make sure that everyone told her what they wanted to be addressed by
123 because she was going to make the name plates. If any changes needed to be made from the
124 list they gave her last time they needed to let her now ASAP. Senator Martinez wants to
125 change his to Senator JP. VP Butts addressed to the senate that it was impolite to be carrying
126 side conversations and having side comments during a meeting because everyone can't listen
127 to everyone talking and someone might not hear something because someone around them
128 was talking. VP Butts said she would e-mail the Parliamentary Procedure presentation she did

129 to all the senators and sent out her apologies for not having them printed in enough time for
130 the meeting.

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132 C. Secretary Quintana:

133 Thanked everyone for a fun filled weekend and thanks for everyone who participated in every
134 event. She also thanked everyone for being able to be open minded throughout this retreat
135 and for trusting the senators to respect them for stepping out of their comfort zones at times.
136 Secretary Quintana also mentioned that we should be able to take back something from this
137 retreat and put it into perspective when thinking and dealing with the events we have set as
138 goals for the year from her presentation. She also mentioned that everyone should take at
139 least one charismatic leadership role from all the ones that were compiled from the senate and
140 also put that into perspective when doing their job as student leaders. Secretary Quintana
141 mentioned that she had just distributed the business cards for all the senators present and if
142 they could please take a look at it and make sure everyone's cards were okay and to make
143 sure they didn't want any changes made. Senator Siben said that his number needed to be
144 changed to a 502 instead of what was presented on his card. Senator Rael said that his e-mail
145 address was missing a number two at the end. Senator Lopez said that his area code just
146 switched to a 575 so that he needed that to be changed as well. Senator Means stated that he
147 had just changed his phone number two weeks ago and he needed the new number on his card
148 and mentioned if we could make sure to put only text messaging only because it would make
149 it a lot easier for people to contact him. Senator Torres-Hughes mentioned that his e-mail
150 address shouldn't be hotmail and that his first part of his last name was spelt wrong on his
151 business card. Senator Tazifor said that his e-mail address needed to be corrected. Senator
152 Fields said that she wants to change her address to the school address instead of the one that
153 we had on the card now. Secretary Quintana mentioned to all the senators that she did have
154 this on record for the minutes but if everyone could please send her an e-mail with the
155 corrections they wanted to their cards so she can print that out and make sure to take it to
156 Repo Graphics to get these cards out as soon as possible. Secretary Quintana then stood for
157 questions.

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159 D. Treasure Lopez:

160 Thanked everyone who came to the retreat and mentioned how much fun it was being
161 able to get to know one another on a more personal level. He noted that he didn't have
162 much to report on because he hadn't been presented with anything since the last meeting.
163 He then stood for questions.

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165 E. President Pro Temp Ulibarri:

166 Mentioned that she had a great weekend and a really great time. Her and VP Butts got
167 together and put together the committee teams and the individuals who would chair these
168 committees. She said this would be later discussed further in the agenda. She then stood
169 for questions..

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171 F. Vice President Cordova-Romero:

172 Started off by saying that she hoped everyone learned something about themselves and a
173 little about someone who they didn't know anything about before. This is a great start to
174 an academic year and looks forward to see the progress that's going to be made with this
175 senate. She truly had seen some strong leaders and great leadership skills through this
176 weekend. She went on to say that Dr. Fries set up a group who meets regularly with the
177 academic groups and wants to have a Pres. Council meeting every third Thursday of the
178 month. Ashley and Nicole will be attending these meetings and will be the voice for the
179 undergrad and graduate senates. She also said we need to make sure the whole campus is
180 aware of what's going on around campus. The construction on campus is making great
181 progress and campus residence halls are going up quickly and they are pretty positive on
182 the outcome and fast working pace they are dealing with. There are renovations on
183 campus that need to be made and need to be discussed later. VP Cordova-Romero
184 mentioned that she may be looking for interest or experience in these areas please let her
185 know on anyone ideas or concerns. On Wednesday the third there will representatives on
186 campus and will be doing a threat analysis to see where we stand as far as campus safety.
187 They will be identifying where we might have a possibility of vulnerable threats, so that
188 these can get taken care of immediately.

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190 G. Dr. Kravtiz

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192 Senator Lopez made a motion to have a recess before starting Old business Senator Torres-
193 Hughes made the second. Recess began at 10:45 A.M.

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195 Meeting was called back to order at 10:53 A.M.

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197 VI. Old Business

198 A. Two weeks of pleasure:

199 VP Butts long with President Parra-Perez mentioned that we would not be doing the
200 annual drive in event because they wanted to charge too much. Senator Rael suggested
201 that we should try to do something at the Kiva instead and people can go with their ID to
202 watch the movies for free. Another possibility that was brought up was that it could be
203 done in Central Park and Projected onto Sininger Hall building wall. Senator Maestas
204 said he would try talking to the manager from the Kiva to see if we could do such an
205 event there. VP Butts broke down the days to the entire senate and mentioned what every
206 day consisted of. Team points will be taken for all these events. The events are placed as
207 follows:

208 Monday the 8th- Karaoke Night in the Student Center

209 Tuesday the 9th- BBQ or food of some sort

210 Wed. the 10th – Movie (in the park, in Ilfield, or wherever best fit)

211 Thursday the 11th- Club HU (themed)

212 Friday the 12th- Soccer game at 2:00 and pool party following 5-7

213 Monday the 15th- Rush Week. Booths in central park will be set up. Signing of block
214 might be a possibility of this day. This gives students a chance to sign these cinder

215 blocks with all the other signatures from previous years. Clubs will earn points for this
216 also. Karaoke night at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center (atrium area).
217 Tuesday the 16th - Rush Week. Club Olympics and volleyball game.
218 Wed. the 17th - Movie and scavenger hunt
219 Thursday the 18th - Club HU along with Housing (themed)
220 Friday the 19th - Cowboy campus clean up: Clean up trash around campus & pool party.
221 Saturday the 20th - Cowboy Pride: Football game, Spirit day, Winner of rush week will
222 be announced for the half time of the game at 1:00. Western Colorado.

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224 Points for teams will be given for these events. Senator Rael mentioned we could bring in
225 DWI speakers if we run out of events for ideas. Senator D. Ulibarri mentioned getting a
226 hypnotist again since it was a great turn out last year. Senator Lopez mentioned a local
227 singing or dancing group.

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229 B. State Fair Parade and Parade of Santa Fe:

230 Both parades were this next weekend. Any senator interested in going needed to let Judy
231 and President Parra-Perez know so that way arrangements and cost could be covered as
232 best seen fit. The lineup for parades are at 6:30 a.m. The Santa Fe Parade starts at 9:00.
233 If students wish to go on their own they must do travel requests which consists of their
234 meals getting covered as long as they save their receipts.

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236 Senator Rael made a motion to un-table committee's under old business. Senator D.
237 Ulibarri second the motion and it carried.

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239 C. Committee's:

240 As mentioned previously VP Butts and President Pro-Temp C. Ulibarri went ahead and
241 placed everyone in their committee's at this time everyone was told which committee
242 they served on. A list was to be e-mail to each senator.

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244 Treasure Lopez mentioned that bills and resolutions need to be given a week in
245 advance. They must have a detailed budget and someone to represent them. They
246 must be advised that they can only ask for money once a semester. Senator Siben
247 asked how the chairs for each Committee's have been picked. VP Butts mentioned that
248 they placed people with experience in these positions. President Parra-Perez mentioned
249 that committee reports need to be turned in before the following senate meeting. There
250 must be minutes taken at these committee meetings. President Parra-Perez also
251 mentioned that there was going to be a template handy for every senator and committee
252 chair serving so that way they could just take the minutes on that paper along with
253 attendance and just slip it under the door so that no one would forget. These minutes
254 have a ten day grace period before they become invalid

255 VII. New business

256 A. Plaques (action item):

257 President Parra-Perez mentioned that in the museum there were some plaques with
258 previous senators member's names listed on them and they have been removed from
259 where they once hung without permission. This museum was named in honor of Dr.
260 Manafy and the plaques listed the names of the senators who served in the senate that
261 year and who helped with the museum. These plaques were hung in Kennedy Hall. She
262 asked the senate to vote to see if we would like the plaques to remain up or leave them
263 down. Senator Siben made a motion that we get more information on these plaques.
264 Senator Rael made a motion to table this action item until the next meeting so that
265 everyone could be provided with sufficient information. Senator D. Ulibarri second the
266 motion. There was some discussion and the senators voted again. 10 senators voted to
267 table this action item and 7 voted to un-table it and vote for it right now. Motion to table
268 had the majority of the vote and would be tabled until further discussion

269 B. Career center:

270 Senator D. Ulibarri made a motion to table the career center until the next meeting.
271 Senator Means second that motion. Motion carried and this item would be tabled until the
272 next meeting.

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275 VII. Comments:

276 VP Butts thanked Senator Means for helping her clean up. Senator Rael thanked Secretary
277 Quintana and Treasurer Lopez for going to Las Vegas for him and that he had a really great
278 time. Senator Maestas, Senator Rael, and VP Cordova-Romero still need calendars for their
279 binders. Senator Maeastas mentioned that all senators should be responsible for 1-50
280 students and encourage students to attend and this allows the senators to get their information
281 out. Whenever we have bills and resolutions this can help us get student feed back as to
282 what's going on and what concerns they might have. President Parra-Perez motioned about
283 e-mails and that everyone is responsible for 100 e-mails to individuals so that people can
284 personally interact with a senator on a one on one basis. This also allows students to get
285 more detailed information about certain events and different things we have scheduled for the
286 two weeks of pleasure along with other events throughout the school year. This is a great
287 way for everyone to exchange ideas. Senator Maestas also requested that this idea be put on
288 the agenda for the next meeting

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290 VIII. Set date and time of the next meeting:

291 President Pro-Temp D. Ulibarri made a motion for our next meeting be on Sept 14th at 7:30
292 p.m. on Sunday and make sure it won't go over two hours. Motion was second by Seantor
293 Glenn.

294 IX. Adjourn

295 Senator Rael made a motion to adjourn, second was made by Senator Durham. Motion
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297 Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

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