

Associated Students of New Mexico Highlands University
Regular Meeting Sunday, January 25th, 2009 7:30PM

I. Call to Order:

The regular meeting for the Associated Students of New Mexico Highlands University was called to order at 7:32 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Roll call was administered by Secretary Quintana senators that were absent are as follows:

Senator Rael

Senator Lopez

Senator Otame (for appeal)

Senator Mbanga (for appeal)

IV. Approval of Agenda

Senator Silva made a motion to remove the concert item off the agenda.

Senator Martinez had the second. Item B under New Business will be removed because of lack of information. Senator Maestas made a motion to amend article one section nine in the by-laws. Senator Burns had the second. New Business item D. Article I Item 9 will be added to the agenda. Senator Siben asked that if bills and resolutions can come to senate without going through the committee. VP Butts noted that it could because it had been sent through the President first. Senator Maestas made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Senator Burns had the second.

V. Approval of Minutes

VP Butts mentioned that everyone should have already reviewed the minutes that were sent to them over the weekend by Secretary Quintana. Senator Maestas made a motion to approve the minutes. Senator Martinez had the second.

VI. Executive Reports

A. President Parra-Perez

President Parra-Perez started off by saying Happy Birthday to Senator Ulibarri. She also thanked Senator Burns, Senator Bernard, Senator Means, and Senator Salas for going to help pick up trash around the plaza. She also

noted that for everyone not to forget about the memorial services for Bryan at Kennedy Lounge at 5:00 p.m.

B. Vice President Butts

Started off by saying those of you who check your global e-mail student senate is providing student transportation and for everyone to take advantage of that if they need to. She is serving on the strategic planning steering and rules committee. They are changing and revising the mission statement and strategic plan for the university. They came up with a rough draft of the vision and mission statement and in order for them to go through they have to go thru the undergraduate and graduate senate. Then it goes to faculty senate and so on. She lost her phone numbers so if everyone could text her numbers letting her know whose are who. Also, she is going through surgery this weekend and if they need any immediate assistance to talk to President Pro Temp Ulibarri. There are two home games this weekend and wrestling is also having a tournament and if we could all go and support them.

C. Secretary Quintana

First started off by reminding everyone that she will be e-mailing the minutes prior to meetings so that way everyone comes to meeting having been prepared to pass this item quickly. She also mentioned that only a few people have contacted her about business cards or changes that needed to be made on the contact information and those who needed business cards needed to let her know ASAP so she could put the order in before we go to the legislature. She addressed the senate by stating that if anyone needed to contact about concerns about their absences or any such sort to please feel free and then she stood for any further questions.

D. Pro-Tempore Ulibarri

Started off by saying she received an e-mail from VP Cordova Romero and asked her to make a statement on her behalf:

To the Senate,

Many of you have question regarding the removal of Anthony Lopez and Rebecca Glenn from their Senate position. Please understand they have not been removed but have placed themselves in a position where they are no longer eligible to serve in the Senate as outlined in the ASNMHU Constitution.

As clearly outlined in the constitution, Section 4-Qualification of Senators, Studekst must be in good academic and disciplinary standing. Good Standing is defined in the constitution as any student registered for classes and not on academic or disciplinary probation or suspension.

As this is a personal issue it is not appropriate to discuss this matter in a public meeting therefore I have directed the Executives to not allow any discussion regarding this issue. As member of the Senate each one of you must take the responsibility of adhering to Student Code of Conduct and serve as a positive role model to our student body.

82 *Individually we all make choices and must deal the consequences of our choices and*
83 *action.*

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85 *If anyone has any questions you may meet with me in my office.*

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87 *Judy Cordova-Romero Vice President of Student Affairs*
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89 President Pro Temp Ulibarri went on to say that as soon as steering and rules has
90 their first meeting they will be going over the constitution and possibly
91 adopting a new constitution. President Parra Perez asked that if she had put
92 an e-mail about the Treasure position being available in the following places:
93 Purple Pub, Library, Student Center, and in the front of the senate office.

94 VP Butts mentioned that there are guidelines for getting a new treasure. It's
95 open to any student body member who qualifies for this position. All details
96 will be put through on the global e-mail. Anyone who wants to put in for the
97 position will call for a resume.

98 Senator Maestas asked him about the scholarship. President Pro Temp
99 Ulibarri said she will post it by tomorrow. It's going to be a global e-mail
100 with the e-mail attached. It can be left in the office with the work study.

101 The work study will be working 15 hours.

102 Senator Otame was recognized to his seat at 7:52 p.m.

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104 E. Vice President Cordova-Romero (absent)

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106 F. Dr. Linder (absent)

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108 VII. Old Business

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110 A. Appeals

111 Two senators who need to appeal their seats (Senator Tresor and Senator
112 Ndem)

113 Senator Ndem started off by saying that if you take a look at the letter it says
114 that he has missed presidential appointments meeting, however he is not part
115 of this committee. Secretary Quintana stated that she just goes off of what is
116 turned in to her and his name was on one of the missed meeting committee
117 reports. He went on to state that he has four absences for the regular
118 meetings. He is very clear of the Steering and Rules meetings that he missed
119 because of time conflicts. Also, for the activities board meetings he said has
120 always been part of the committee and made sure that he took part of all the
121 meetings and absences. He is asking the senate to consider the fact that he
122 takes his seat given the fact that he's been representing the students not only

the international students but all the students of the university. President Parra Perez asked why he's abstained from so many votes that have been presented and he said that he said he's actively participated although he hasn't voted on that and asked why that is. He stated that the reason for this is because he is not going to vote on something he is not aware of or unsure of. Senator Siben made a statement that he didn't know if he was really absent from these meetings. VP Butts mentioned that emergency meetings do count against senators for their absences. Senator Siben asked President Parra Perez about the emergency meeting and thinks that if someone is not in town that it shouldn't count against them given the fact that these meetings are called last minute. Senator Means had a question is how accurate our documentation is and wants to make sure that he understands full what's going on. Secretary Quintana stated that she went off the records that she had that the committee chairs turned in to her and the attendance that she has record of. Senator Roseby asked if we could keep track of absences on the minutes. Secretary Quintana told everyone to take a look at their minutes and see where she is keeping track of people's missed absences through the minutes along with her attendance sheet she keeps track of.

Senator Means asked why Senator Torres-Hughes did not have to appeal for his absences. VP Butts mentioned that he didn't want to appeal for his absences for his own personal reasons. This actual contact that was made was before the Thanksgiving personally by VP Butts. Senator Siben made a motion that Senator Ndem should be given back his seat. Senator Martinez had the second. Senator Maestas said that there should be stipulations about receiving his seat and make sure that he makes the attempt to at all activities and be actively involved. Senator Maestas does agree and he should get his seat back but he thinks the stipulation should be made that he be involved and maintain being actively involved. Senator Fields asked that if once they appeal if their absences start over. VP Butts made clear that it restarts every semester until further notice or changes in the constitution. The motion on the floor is to reinstate Senator Ndem's seat.

For: 11

Against: 5

Senator Ndem recognized to his seat at 8:16 p.m.

Senator Tresor mentioned that last week he had proper documentation and better communication appropriateness to present. He started off by saying he didn't attend the first meeting because of a class because he registered for the first class for the financial accounting class. The other meeting he missed was November 17th went to pick up a friend from Alb and told him he would pick him up. He did notify Secretary Quintana about either being late or

missing that meeting. He did always contact Senator Ulibarri about his missing the committee meetings and informed her about all her absences. He is in three committees AB, PA, and SR. For SR he was not able to make the meetings and always contacted the committee chairs. He would always ask to see if there was anything that he needed to do to make up for the absences. For PA he was never aware of the meetings and he and a few other members of the committee have been complaining about the committee meetings because they have not been informed. He also believes that somehow about the date of attendance were not up to date. He made a statement as to who goes to see a doctor just because they have a cold? Therefore he doesn't think that proper documentation should be required if someone is sick. Senator Siben said that he should consider changing his committee because of time conflicts. Senator JP made a motion to reinstate Senator Tresor without stipulations. Second by Senator Blanco. Senator Maeastas mentioned that in order to be reinstated that you should have stipulations. President Pro Temp asked if he used his student e-mail and she said she will be contacting him through his student e-mail. Senator Siben is in support that he should be given back his seat and should reconsider which committee's meetings he is in.

For:10

Against: 7

Senator Tresor was recognized to his seat at 8:32 p.m.

B. Concert- tabled

VIII. New Business

A. Resolution #____ Lambda

Senator Bernard would like to yield the floor to the President of Lambda.

Thanked everyone for adding them to our agenda. They're active on campus so far this is a list of activities in which they've been active in and in support of:

2nd annual of volleyball

Jewelry

Big brother big sis

Thanksgiving drive

Mesa fair judges

Donate blood

Did attend club and organization

Lily *young girl who lost her home on Douglas donated clothing and bought some new household items

Fundraised by doing bake sale, raffle ticket, car wash

203 Rush and homecoming week and participating on all events
204 Put on a dance for pledges
205 Cookie booth for winter fest
206 Donated coats to salvation
207 Supported sporting events.
208 Sent members who got hurt got cards
209 Newspapers a few times
210 Sorority study halls
211 Attend more club and organization meetings
212 Club hu
213 Bachelor and bachelorette thing for Valentines Day
214 Initiation banquet
215 Volunteering for the church
216 Warm blanket drive around the community
217 Invited to conduct a car wash for the motor cycle rally
218 Leadership presentation by Dr. Romero
219 Drug and alcohol presentation
220 Presenter to talk about signs for watching for a controlling boyfriend.
221 Set up snacks and coffee during midterms
222 Want to go national
223 They want to help keep retention here and want to do a sorority trip to alb.
224 Their main purpose of going national is to give back to the school and main
225 reasoning is to represent the campus. Main vision is to help NMHU. They
226 are doing pen pals with the army unit from around here and sending care
227 packages and help keep their spirits up.
228 VP Butts supported the guy's athletics and didn't mention anything about the
229 girls. Does commend them for being a bigger part of actively being involved
230 around campus. How many active members do they have? They have 18
231 active members. Senator Siben asked if they remembered how much they
232 got from the senate last year. It was \$500. He looked at their subject and
233 wants them to be more specific as to what they are using the money for. The
234 money is going to be used for events on campus and towards the students.
235 They want to archive their pictures. Printing and flyers adds up. Anyway
236 that we can help they are appreciative. Budget break down is allotted for
237 \$5,000 for that line item. Senator Means asked how much they've
238 fundraised so far. Being that the semester just started the money that has
239 been fundraised has been used. They are at a zero balance right now but
240 they are collecting dues. They even put out of pocket on top of dues they
241 have. Why would they have a vision of 3,000+ if they don't have any
242 money and if maybe they could do smaller things. Depending on their funds

that they want to do will be done and whatever can't be done. Senator Means asked what the paper means. Senator Siben made a motion to approve resolution lambda for \$600 by Senator Ndem. Discussion: considering the fact that other clubs are coming to us that's why he's making the motion for 600 and have been actively involved. We don't have a clear view of what our budget it. He would not like us to approve the 600 until we've talked to our new treasurer and prevent what happened last semester and going over the budget. Senator Masestas said that \$600 is a good amount and they've worked hard. Senator Ivo strongly supports the amount. Senator Means had the second.

For: 11

Against: 7

B. Bill # _12___ Pep Band

VP would ask to table this being that there is no rep.

Senator Martinez made a motion to table this

Second by Siben

Tabled until next meeting

C. Advertising and Marketing committee Ad hoc

Senator Silva (yield the floor)

Would we be interesting in adding a committee to get out to the community and advertise events, plans, senate members etc? Market us on ITV live on internet so all 100 representatives would know what's going on.

The following would like to help get this committee going:

Senator Maestas, Senator Fields, Senator Roseby, Senator Durham, Senator Torres, Senator Salas, Senator Ulibarri, Senator Burns, Senator Martinez, Senator Siben, Senator Silva would be the Chair .

D. Section Nine Article One

Senator Burns asked if we table this until the next meeting

Senator Maestas just wanted to make sure that we are following procedure.

Senator Siben made a motion to table

Senator Durham had the second

IX. Committee Reports

Steering and rules next meeting- sometime this week

Activities Board:

Senator Ulibarri said senator means had an idea for an activity. Had an idea to pull groups together to have students pull together. Have a tourney and other community officers and get them all together so that we would have a weekend during the tourney. It would help everyone work together and clubs and organizations. We tend to focus on all

students and if we can improve the relationships then it would be a really good idea. Senator Roseby if the basketball team could possibly ref. turns it into a fundraiser for an organization or a couple of organizations with local law enforcements against each other. Activities board meeting will be scheduled after the regular meeting.

Reminder about HU day: February 10 next Tuesday.

X. Comments

Roberts's rule of order we follow is what we have learned from previous senates and we are learning that there are things we are doing that we shouldn't be doing or vise versa. If everyone could bear with us and until we get an attorney general. We mentioned last time that President Pro Temp along with VP Butts moved committees around and changed things because of absences or lack of attendance for certain events. Agreements with certain people to be moved around because of probations were taken into consideration.

From the galla: NMHU night club doesn't reflect the diversity of students here. There is only a single dj who plays the same kind of music. Thinks we should inform people because different people would like to be djs.

Senator Siben suggests that we should somehow have sponsor just for international songs.

Senator Tresor asked how come Senator Roseby was able to take her seat but last week she was put on appeal. Secretary Quintana noted that Senator Roseby gave her the proper documentation of a doctor's excuse so therefore she was removed from her appeal.

Senator Maestas mentioned we need to be more proactive for better communication. And also mentioned we need some king of Roberts's rule of order: workshop for basic steps for clarification.

XI. Set Time and Date for Next Regular Meeting

We need to hire more interpreters for meetings or per meeting and we don't have to limit meeting times. Senator Maestas made a motion to have our next meeting on Sunday February 8 @ 7:30 p.m.

Second by Senator Apodaca

XII. Adjourn

Senator Martinez made a motion to adjourn. Senator Durham had the second. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.