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Subject: Special regents meeting

There will be a special Board of Regents meeting at 1:00 p.m., in the President's Conference Room, Monday December 29. The agenda items are as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Executive session to discuss property acquisition - College of Santa Fe
3. Approval of Letter of Intent regarding College of Santa Fe - Action Item
4. Adjournment

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**New Mexico Highlands University
Special Board of Regents Meeting
December 29, 2008**

The New Mexico Highlands University Board of Regents met in a Special Board of Regents Meeting on December 29, 2008 in the President's Conference Room, on the New Mexico Highlands University main campus in Las Vegas, New Mexico. Chairman Gonzales called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Attendance

Board Members Present: Chairman Javier Gonzales, Ms. Sherry Salas, Mr. Jesus Lopez and Mr. Leveo Sanchez and member elect, Mr. Peter Aguilar.

Absent: Ms. Nancy Long.

Administrative Personnel Present: Dr. James Fries, President; Dr. William Taylor, Vice President for Finance & Administration, Mr. Lawrence Trujillo, Associate Vice President for Finance, Mr. Max Baca, ITS Director, Mr. Nesbitt Hagood, Controller, Mr. Sean Weaver, University Relations Director, and Ms. Susie Maestas, Executive Administrative Assistant.

Others Present: Mr. Phil Park, *Albuquerque Journal*, Mr. John Sena, *Santa Fe New Mexican*, Mr. Don Pace, *Las Vegas Daily Optic*.

Approval of Agenda for Meeting of December 29, 2008

Regent Sanchez made a motion to approve the December 29, 2008 agenda. Regent Salas seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Executive Session – To discuss property acquisition-College of Santa Fe. Pursuant to provisions of NMSA 1978, 10-15-1. Regent Lopez moved to adjourn into executive session. Regent Sanchez seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and voting in favor were: Chairman Gonzales, Regent Sanchez, Regent Lopez, and Regent Salas. Motion carried and the Board went into executive session at 1:30 p.m.

Regent Sanchez moved to come out of executive session into open session. Regent Lopez seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and voting in favor were: Chairman Gonzales, Regent Sanchez, Regent Lopez, and Regent Salas. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was called back to order at 2:45 p.m.

Approval of Letter of Intent regarding College of Santa Fe – Action Item

Regent Lopez made a motion to table the Letter of Intent until further discussions are completed. Regent Sanchez seconded the motion. Voting in favor were: Chairman Gonzales, Regent Lopez, and Regent Salas, yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Gonzales announced that this was his last meeting. He indicated that it was an honor and pleasure to have worked alongside the Regents, President Fries, and the University. He said

he will continue to be an advocate for the University. He said he was very proud of Highlands. He indicated that Regent Elect, Pete Aguilar will serve the University with dedication and commitment.

Chairman Gonzales also commended Vice President Taylor, Lawrence Trujillo Max Baca, Nesbitt Hagood, Sean Weaver and Susie Maestas for their dedication to the University.

In addition, he commended Regent Salas for her excellent work as Student Regent. He wished her and her new baby the best.

Chairman Gonzales thanked President Fries for the excellent job in guiding the University in a positive direction. He also commended President Fries for his efforts to acquire the College of Santa Fe and to keep moving forth in providing service to students in New Mexico and throughout the region.

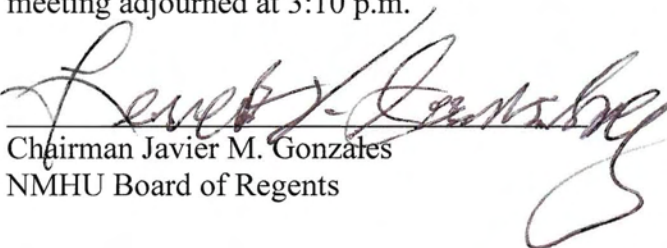
Regent Salas gave a special thank you to Chairman Gonzales and former Regent, Walter Adams for their guidance during her service as a Regent. She also thanked the Regents, President Fries and the HU community for the privilege to be a part of this institution. She indicated that President Fries made things so much easier for her to serve in her capacity.

President Fries on behalf of the University Community thanked Chairman Gonzales and Regents Salas for serving on the Board. He wished them both, every success both personally and professionally. President Fries indicated that Chairman Gonzales was a phenomenal leader as Chair of the Regents.

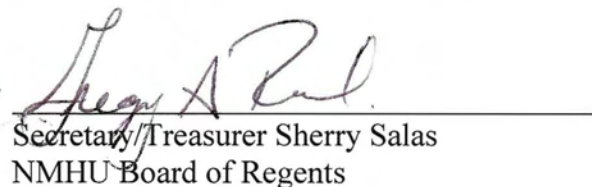
Regent Lopez thanked Chairman Gonzales for his leadership and for providing stability to the University during a tumultuous time. He wished both Chairman Gonzales and Regent Salas success in their future endeavors.

Adjournment

Regent Lopez moved to adjourn. Regent Sanchez seconded the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.



Chairman Javier M. Gonzales
NMHU Board of Regents



Secretary/Treasurer Sherry Salas
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