Associated Student of New Mexico Highlands University 6th Regular Senate Meeting Sunday April 13th, 2014 @3pm Governance Room (SUB 3rd Floor)

I. Call Meeting to Order: 3:04pm

II. Pledge:

III. Roll Call:

Crystal (Tina) Sione (Graduate) Present Juan Sanchez (Undergraduate) Present Grace Thompson (Undergraduate) Present Kemoy Christie (Undergraduate) Absent Guillermo Martinez (Undergraduate) **Absent** Adam Brister (Graduate) **Absent** Maria Alaena Romero (Undergraduate) Present Ramon M. Martinez (Undergraduate) Present Gabriel Cordova (Undergraduate) Present Easton Hargrave (Undergraduate) Present Krystol Myers (Undergraduate) Present Jordan Williamson (Undergraduate) Absent Devon Allen (Undergraduate) **Absent** Joseph Dominguez (Undergraduate) Present Danisha Phipps (Undergraduate) Present Kushum Shrestha (Undergraduate) **Absent** Ryan Andrews-Armijo (Undergraduate) Present Juan Jauregui (Undergraduate) Present Sheneika Rochester (Undergraduate) Present Jereece Maxwell (Undergraduate) Present Kennith Ryan (Graduate) **Absent** Geno Castio (Graduate) Present Gia LaFerriere (Graduate) Present Khanh Pham (Graduate) Present Vincent Nolasco (Graduate) Present Julio P. Garcia (Graduate) **Absent**

- IV. Approval of Agenda: Motion set by Cordova, 2nd by Castillo. Motion passes unanimously
- V. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: Motion set by Castillo, 2nd by Jauregui. Motion passes unanimously
- VI. Unanimous and General Consent:

Dean Trujillo: congratulations to those who took part in the elections.

Rez Fest on April 24th

Congratulations to Student of the year Autumn Woods, and the Teacher of the Year. All those who were recognized at this event as well.

Congratulations to Geno Castillo- American Association of Petroleum Geologist. He received a \$2,000 Kenneth H. Crandall Memorial Grant.

Clean up with the conservation club on April 19th

Recognize Laferriere at 3:11

VII. Action Items:

- a. Bills and Resolutions
 - 1. Clubs, Organizations, and Individuals
 - i. Angela M. Gill- Angela M. Gill- asking for funds to present her research at a national conference in Philadelphia. Would give an opportunity to network and meet other professionals in her field. Her research is based on the meditation techniques of Buddhism; it looks at self-report measures among different demographics of people. We ask that she presents at research day and also another place. Asking for \$1,000. Graduate committee recommends \$1,000.

Motion set by Rochester, 2nd by Armijo.

2for- Jauregui, Castillo.

Motion passes unanimously.

ii. MECHA- Asking for money to put on an event. It is a traditional event that provides food for the community. Most of their money goes to the pig and goat. They also have vegetarian options available. The animals are shot in the head, boiled and shaved. They are cooked for twelve hours underground. It will take place at 510 cinder road on April 26th. Bring a talent for open mic. NO ALCOHOL! Recommends that we give them \$150.

Motion set by Cordova, 2nd by Armijo.

2for- Sanchez, Cordova

Motion passes unanimously.

iii. Music and Art Collaboration Club- No bill present

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i. Phi lota Alpha Fraternity Inc. - asking for money to cohost the event with MECHA (event explained in above section). Asking for \$200. The finance committee recommends \$200.

Motion set by Cordova, 2nd by Jauregui.

2for- Sione, Jauregui.

Motion passes unanimously.

VIII. Officer's Reports:

- A. President Tina Sione: Congrats to all who won and ran in the election. It was a good campaign.
- B. Vice President Juan Sanchez: Good job to all the candidates. Hector Balderas will be our keynote speaker at the gala.
- C. Treasurer Kemoy Christie: Not present
- D. Secretary Grace Thompson: Student senate gala will be on the 30th of April at 6pm.
- E. Attorney General Guillermo Martinez: Not present
- F. President Pro Tempt Joseph Dominguez: Great campaign, thanks for all who voted.
- G. Chair Committees: Activities, Finance, Steering and Rule, Presidential App, Graduate, Marketing, Justice.
- IX. New Business:
- X. Old Business:
- XI. Dean of Students Report Dr. Fidel J. Trujillo:

Results posted. Numbers for elections read. All constitutional amendments passed.

He has jotted down some ideas for next year's senate. We can always improve! Two year terms, online voting for elections, and department representation for graduate senate.

Faculty senate approved 120 credit hours in a similar fashion that we did.

ADSSC is still working to find a new athletic director.

Recruitment strategies are being thought of now, trying to boost student rates. Convocation for all freshmen before the fall semester starts.

Commencement is scheduled for May 10th at 2pm.

Email Rose Contrellas about free Opera tickets for students. Dress to the nines!

Tuesday morning at 10am. President is interested in meeting with 5-8 individuals to discuss tuition and fee rates for next year. He will talk about any increases that may be implemented.

The gala is on the 30th of April

Board of regents meeting on the 23rd of April at 10am.

XII. Public Comments:

Could senate please address the way that money is distributed to clubs and individuals. The solution should be to give a cash advance every time.

The track team is doing really well.

Set Date and Time of Next Meeting: 4/27/2014 at 3pm in the SUB governance room. Motion set by Cordova, 2nd by Jauregui. 11 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions.

XIII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn set by Armijo, 2nd by Castillo.