

ASNMHU Meeting Minutes
 3rd Regular Meeting of fall 2014 Semester
 Sunday, September 21st, 2014, 5:00 p.m.
 NMHU Governance Room, SUB 3rd Floor

- I. Call Meeting to Order – At 5:08 by vice president Cordova
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call

President Joseph Dominguez - Present
 Vice President Gabriel Gordova- Present
 Secretary Jerece Maxwell- Present
 Treasurer Danisha Phipps—Present
 Senator Joshua Alcon -- **Absent**
 Senator Ryan Andrews Armijo - Present
 Senator Katie Gannon – **Absent**
 Senator Brandon Gourd-Gallegos - Present
 Senator Ariadna Izaguirre -- Present
 Senator Juan Jauregui - Present
 Senator Natasha Lujan- Present
 Senator Guillermo Martinez – Present
 Senator Miranda Martinez- Present
 Senator Krystol Myers- Present
 Senator Julian Padilla – Present
 Senator Chantel Rivera -- Present
 Senator Maria Aleana Romero – Present
 Senator John- Ramon Vigil --- Present
 Senator Giavanna LaFerriere - Present
 Senator Daniel Garza- Present
 Senator Vincent Nolasco – **Absent**
 Senator Sheneika Rochester -- Present
 Senator Ngrochap Asong – Present
 Senator Iris Mancera – Present

- IV. Approval of Agenda- Senator Armijo made a motion to amend the agenda by putting the action items after the executive session, and it was second by Senator Garza. Motion passed unanimously.
- V. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion to approve the minutes of the September 7th ASNMHU Meeting was made by Senator Jauregui and 2nd by Senator Armijo. Motion passed unanimously. Motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on September of September 12th was made by Senator Vigil and 2nd by Senator G. Martinez. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. Unanimous and general Consent- Senator John Vigil congratulated all homecoming winners.

Senator Vigil: I stand as a proud NMHU student and wish to congratulate my fellow students who participated in Homecoming Activities this past week. I wish to congratulate all candidates for Homecoming Royalty and especially the newly crowned Prince Anthony “AJ” Mathews; Princess, Krystol Myers; King Easton Hargrave; and Queen Amber Vicente Cordero.

I also recognize those students who participated in the Homecoming pageant as MC’s, escorts, or back-up performers, and audience members. School Spirit is alive and well at Highlands University.

I acknowledge members of our intercollegiate athletic teams who represent us well on the court and field, particularly at this time of year: the student-athletes in the sports of Football, Volleyball, and Soccer.

And thanks to the Office of Campus Life and the Alumni Office for their efforts to make Homecoming very successful.

I'd like to acknowledge the winners in other categories: Campus Door Decorating Contest - 1st Place: Educational Outreach Services, 2nd Place: Registrar's Office. Community Decorating Contest - 1st Place : State Employees Credit Union, 2nd Place: Southwest Capital Bank. Float Competition: 1st Place: Student Ambassadors, 2nd Place: Michael Montano, 3rd Place: NMHU Mariachi's.

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I request general consent that my comments be entered into the record. Thank you. Without objection, so ordered.

VII. Executive Session (10 minutes)

VIII. Action Items

1. Funding request by Amelia Martinez. Ms. Martinez requested funding to help offset costs associated with travel to Baton Rouge Louisiana for the LAHPERD (Louisiana Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Dance) Conference in November 3 – 9.

Ms. Martinez stated that this conference was important for her because it would help her further her studies, and also give the school some recognition. A motion was made by Senator G. Martinez to allocate \$610 to Ms. Martinez. Motion was seconded by Senator Vigil, motion passed unanimously.

2. Funding request by Daewon Woo. Mr. Woo requested funding to help offset the costs associated with travel to Reno, Nevada for the Western Society of Kinesiology and Wellness Conference. This conference will be held on October 8th – 10. A motion was made to allocate \$231.00 by Senator G. Martinez, 2nd by Senator Jauregui. Motion passed (one abstention).

3. Lane Matthew – Graduate student requested funding from the Senate to help offset costs associated with his research. A motion to allocate \$500.00 was made by Senator Vigil, 2nd by Senator G. Martinez. Motion passed. (One abstention).

4. Daniel Garza. --- Mr. Garza requested funding to help offset costs associated with travel to an Environmental Geology Conference in San Francisco, CA. Senator Garza also stated that he had applied for other grants elsewhere. The total cost of the trip was half of the amount he asked for. The senate body decided to give him the sum of \$700.00. A motion to grant \$700.00 was made by Senator Martinez, 2nd by Senator Jauregui. Motion passed (one abstention).

VIII. Filling of Vacancies

1. Graduate Senator – Geno Castillo was nominated by President Dominguez to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Senator Vincent Nolasco. Mr. Castillo served on ASNMHU as a graduate senator last year and lost his bid for re-election by two votes. He is looking forward to the opportunity to serve with us again and he stated that it would be an honor to be back on board and to help make a good impact for students. Mr. Castillo's nomination was confirmed by a vote of 15 for and 1 against, motion passes. The oath of office was administered to Senator Castillo by Dr. Trujillo

IX Officer Reports

A. President - Joseph Dominguez – President Dominguez mentioned that the New Mexico Democrats wants help for campaigning. He also mentioned that due to a change in his schedule he would only be able to attend only

one faculty meeting and asked if someone would go to the other one during his absence. Senator Vigil volunteered.

- B. Vice President—Gabriel Cordova – Vice President Cordova mentioned a special thanks to everyone who helped out in the parade, he also mentioned that they did an excellent job. He also gave a special thanks to Senator Armijo’s parents for all the help with the ASNMHU float.
- C. Secretary—Jereece Maxwell – None
- D. Treasurer—Danisha Phipps- Requested a meeting with the Graduate Committee after the meeting.
- E. Parliamentarian – Marcus Garcia --- Several constitutional amendments are being drafted for future consideration and action by the Senate.
- F. President Pro-Tempore --- Ryan Armijo --- None
- G. Chair Committees: **Activities** – Senator Romero announced a 5k run September 25th at @6 p.m. for Suicide Prevention and Awareness. Mentioned special thanks to members who helped with the float. October is Breast Cancer awareness month. People need to put in office hours.
Finance – Treasure Phipps stressed her concerns that most people receive emails but yet still no one shows up to events or follows up with communication to be excused. She urged people to attend meetings so not to cause confusion. To avoid confusion, Senators sponsoring legislation ought to show up early for any questions from the Finance Committee regarding a bill.
Steering and Rule – Will be having a meeting to go over possible constitutional amendments.
Presidential App, -- None
Graduate – Delay Meetings and the checks will take 3- 4 weeks for checks.
Marketing -- None
Faculty Senate Liaisons None
Judicial Branch – None
Ad Hoc.- None

X. New Business –

XI. Old Business

XII. Dean of Students Report --- Dr. Fidel J. Trujillo mentioned in his report about declining student enrollment on the main campus. He also formally recognized Salacia Slack for her national championship in women’s track and field as well as the NMHU Vatos Rugby Club for a National Runner-up performance. Student Regent applications are due October 3rd. On Thursday September 24th, he will be facilitating a meeting with a consultant from a group called Common Sense New Mexico, to discuss issues pertinent to interactions between members of the student athletic teams and campus security. Campus security wants to explain the positive procedures as to why they ask for ID’s and why they do what they do. He also mentioned that he along with Tina Clayton will be attending the New Mexico Global Education Summit at New Mexico State University on October 1st and the another group from the university will be attending the HACU National Conference in Denver, Colorado from October 4-7. Eight students are registered for the event as well as several staff and administrators. Dr. Trujillo will be a presenter at the conference, discussing his research on academic success for rural Hispanics as well as institutional mentoring in the HACU/Walmart Foundation Collaborative Project.

XIII. Public Comments: None

XIV. Set Date/Time of Next Meeting.-- The next ASNMHU meeting will take place on Sunday, October 5th at 5pm.

XV. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn made by Senator Vigil, 2nd by Senator G. Martinez. Motion Passed unanimously.