

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
April 29, 2020
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Special Faculty Senate Meeting-- Agenda

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LS 265 Zoom Only

VIA ZOOM <https://nmhu.zoom.us/j/411560906>

3:00 to 4:00p.m.

- 1. Call to Order.**
- 2. Roll Call.**

	ATTENDANCE		
	Present	Absent	Excused
Chadborn, Daniel (Psychology) – Executive Committee			
Coggins, Kip (School of Social Work) – Executive Committee			
Ensor, Kevin - (Education; Counseling & Guidance)			
Gadsden, Gloria-(Sociology, Anthropology & Criminal Justice) for Tamir, Orit (Sabbatical)			
Gardner, Sandra- (Nursing)			
Garcia-Nuthmann, André - (Visual & Performing Arts)			
Ali Arshad - (Business; Business Administration)			
Jeffries, John (Computer Science & Math)			
Hayward, William (Exercise & Sport Sciences)			
Karaba, Robert - (Education; Educational Leadership) – Executive Committee; Interim Chair			
Kent, April (Library)			
Lindline, Jennifer - (Natural Resources Management)			
Sarah Santillanes (Education; Teacher Education)			
Housman, Mariah (Business; Media Arts & Technology)			
Vacant – (Education; Special Education/Gifted)			
Romine, Maureen - (Biology) – Executive Committee			
Vacant – (Chemistry)			
Valenzuela, Norma (Languages and Culture)			
Villarreal, Ben (English & Philosophy)			
Williams, Steve (History & Political Sci.)			
Ann Wolf, Education; Curriculum & Instruction			
Minner, Sam (President)			
Gonzales, Roxanne (Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs)			
Ludi, Adele – Staff Senate Representative			
Ulibarri, Christopher – Undergraduate Student Senate Representative			
Graduate Student Senate Representative			

- 3. Approval of Agenda.**

Motion to add a letter to ad hoc committee for CTE, seconded, unanimous approval

4. **New Business**

a. **New Portal**—(A. Ludi) --Information item

Received email, discussing information on the new NMHU portal.

Presented information and a demo regarding the portal and background.

Created through data collected from the helpdesk regarding passwords and application navigation throughout the university

Focus was to bring them all together into one location and to avoid multiple log ins for multiple locations.

Will allow for more efficient resets for faculty. Also increase communication that you can opt in and out of.

Will allow clubs and departments to update information.

Will allow us to enable 2 factor authentication and geo fencing. (more security!!!)

Platforms: web portal, mobile app, and chat bot.

Demonstration and preview of the new portal and it's features was given, including apps, side bar resurces, etc.

Questions about security question numbers: A: just to add more flexibility in options to change.

Important emails and information from ITS will appear both in Brightspace/email AND the portal.

There will be a mobile app and will be launched after. Rollout will continue through the summer with the full launch.

KC: changes in bandwith on the university end.

AL: bandwith for large meetings doesn't have anything to do with the meeting, unless we are actually on campus, if there is an issue it is on the cloud or individual internet. There is work and concern with on campus wifi, ITS survey will be coming out to work with administration to make it a priority.

Will Slate be added later? It should be.

The VPN post cyberattack server, is that up and running? Cisco Any connect. It is still working but is not compatible with latest Mac update.

b. **NRM Reorganization**—discussion and action item

Dr. Wolf to summarize the issues to present it to the Senate as it was not an unanimous decision:

End of march to AAC. Before the meeting there was a number of emails sent to a number of individuals as it apparently started out not including a number

of group members from the department and the original documents did not include many of the important processes going forward. AAC asked to back up and include additional information to AAC and add more discussion within the department. Dr. Kempner was a part of the discussion. With that extra time, everyone was allowed to get in information

Vote was approved in the AAC, there are likely still some hard feelings as it was not an easy change for the department and discussion.

Final vote tally: 10 approve, 3 opposed, 2 abstained

SW: Department vote? AW: first vote was 3-0, revised 4-0 vote, was signed by dean both times and with the revised documents it appeared that everyone had a chance to talk.

DC: budgets and individuals moving forward in Forestry and geology.

RG with JL input: budgets are already separated, but a Chair will have to take over in Geology and new budget lines being created or affirmed to assist with suring up the resources for both units. Dr. Minner approved a new line to sure up geology faculty.

GG: Did issues with the Admin assistant get resolved

JL: not at this moment, work over the summer to help newly organized units to get support they need.

May be another cost in a new admin assistant.

MR: motion to the approval of the NRM reorg proposal, AW: seconded
13 approved, 1 opposed, 3 abstentions

Motion passes

c. Election of new members of the executive committee for Fall 2020:

Secretary

Dr. Lindline nominated as secretary, unanimous passed

1-2 At Large Members

Dr. Coggings as an at large member: 1 abstention, passed

Last possible at large member will considered at the first Fall meeting. As we currently have 2 of the 2-3 allowed, secretary, and vice-chair.

d. CTE Letter

Reporting from the ad-hoc committee to reevaluate needs and attitudes of the center of the faculty and organizational structure.

Faculty and the committee agreed that the model should include a director and that highlands move forward with that decision.

Other model includes a coordinator.

Suggestion was we move forward with current model for a director search and discuss keeping or adding a coordinator would be considered a top priority for faculty.

RG: option of faculty release time as director with a coordinator for day to day. Conversation of what director position looks like.

SC-R: discussion was to promote hiring a director.

Motion to search for a full time director for CTE: Seconded:
2 abstentions, 15 in favor

MR: Thanks to Dr. Karaba for service as Interim this semester.

5. Adjournment.

Motion to Adjourn. Seconded. Unanimous.