

**NORTHERN NEW MEXICO COLLEGE
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
JULY 10, 2009**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A **special meeting** of the Board of Regents of Northern New Mexico College was held on Friday, July 10, 2009 in the Boardroom of the Montoya Administration Building on the Espanola Campus. Regents present: Michael P. Branch, Theresa M. Martinez, Feliberto Martinez, and Alfred Herrera. Regent Cecille Martinez-Wechsler was absent. Board President Michael Branch called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

Northern New Mexico College staff present: David Trujillo, Dean of Grants Development; Alfredo Montoya, Dean of Student Services/Director of Financial Aid; and Josephine Aguilar, Assistant to the President and Recording Secretary. Faculty present: Dr. Meredith Garcia, Associate Professor, and President of the Faculty Senate. Others present: Lou Mattei, Staff Writer, Rio Grande Sun.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The final agenda was approved as presented.

III. PERSONNEL MATTERS

Regent Branch stated that the contract for Interim President and two proposals received from companies to assist with the NNMCM Presidential Search Process will be discussed in executive session. He reported that the Board will take action in open session.

Regent Alfred Herrera moved to adjourn into executive session pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(2) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss limited personnel matters and contractual matters. **Regent Feliberto Martinez, Regent Theresa Martinez, Regent Alfred Herrera, and Regent Branch voted in the affirmative to adjourn into executive session at 8:38 a.m. The open meeting reconvened at 10:17 a.m.**

A. Approval of contract for Interim President.

In open session Regent Theresa Martinez moved to approve the contract for the Interim President, Mr. David Trujillo. Motion carried unanimously.

Board President Branch reported that the contract for Mr. David Trujillo will begin on Monday, July 13, 2009. The current president, Dr. Jose Griego, will become a member of the transition team, available to Mr. Trujillo for any information he may need. The section of "Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities - Items A, B, and C," in the current President's contract will be incorporated as an addendum in the Interim President's contract.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Presidential Search Committee (final and confirmed list).

Regent Feliberto Martinez moved to approve the final list of Presidential Search Committee members, seconded by Regent Herrera. Motion carried unanimously.

Regent Branch stated that Mr. Bruce Smith indicated to him that depending on his schedule he may not be able to serve; however, the El Rito community recommended Ms. Diana Trujillo, District Forest Service Supervisor from El Rito, to serve as back up. Also, if Dr. Denise Michel representing the Espanola Faculty is not able to serve, the Board will go back to the list that was recommended by faculty.

The Board of Regents and the Search Committee will review and revise the draft presidential profile.

B. Approval to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the company selected to assist with the NNMC Presidential Search Process.

Regent Branch reported that the Board received two proposals. One from the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) and Keystone International, Inc., who is currently conducting a third party study at the College. The Regents had an opportunity to review both proposals prior to the meeting.

Regent Branch briefly explained the process taken at the last presidential search conducted in 2004 by ACCT. Keystone would also follow a similar process as described in their proposal.

After reviewing and discussing the two companies' experience in conducting executive searches, references provided, professionalism, and commitment of necessary resources to fully focus on the needs of NNMC to assist with a successful presidential search process, **Regent Alfred Herrera moved to accept ACCT's proposal, seconded by Regent Theresa Martinez. Motion carried unanimously.**

Regent Branch reported that ACCT's fee and expense structure will be negotiated between ACCT and NNMC's Administration.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Regent Martinez moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Recording Secretary, Josephine Aguilar

APPROVED: _____
(Date)

Michael P. Branch, Board President

Cecille Martinez-Wechsler, Secretary/Treasurer