

THE NMSU Employee Council
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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 10, 2015
Milton Hall, Room 85, 2:30pm

Members Present: Julie Cadena, Teri Diaz, Leslie Gascoigne, Christopher Hughes, Gina Frank, Hiranaya Roychowdhury, Dario Silva, Bill Harty, David Schoep

On line: Rosa de la Torre Burmeister, J. Tim Query, Caitlin Wells, Linda Beavers, Monica Lopez, Sonja Koukel, Kelly Woods.

Alternates Present: Maria Gover, Keith Mandabach, Roseanne Bensley

Guest: Rene Yoder, Mario Moccia

Call to Order: Greg Block called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests.

Approval of April minutes: Minutes were approved as written

Presentation: Mario Moccia – Athletic Director – Gave an over view of the Athletics Department and on the importance of athletics on the “Face” of the University.

New Business:

- A.** Faculty Senate Appointment – Tammy Chaffee Welcomed to Employee Council
- B.** TETWP Update – The employee council hopes to send out a notice to let supervisors know it is ok to let their employees attend any of the health screenings associated with the Tough enough to wear pink events.
- C.** Hotline posting of our membership – We are planning on getting a short bio on each employee council member along with a picture and posting it on the web site as well as on hotline to let the University community know who the Employee Council members are and in which areas are being represented.
- D.** President has accepted invitation to join us at our October Meeting – President Carruthers has agreed to be our guest presenter at our next meeting.

Old Business:

- A.** By-Laws Update – The bylaws were accepted and approved at the August meeting and will be sent out to the committee by Greg Block as the final.
- B.** Open Forums – There have been six open forums confirmed for this year.
 - A.** Athletics – September
 - B.** Presidents Staffing Survey – October
 - C.** Legislative Update – November
 - D.** Sustainability – December
 - E.** Health Insurance update – March
 - F.** Budget update – April
- C.** Tailgate update – Set for Saturday, July 12th. Over 500 tickets were given out to Employees and their families. The food amounts were added too in order to accommodate the numbers of peoples. There will be give a ways, Face painters, balloon shapers, games, etc... The Cheer, Band, Student Rider, Pistol Pete President Carruthers, Provost and Athletic Director are scheduled to appear. The tailgate party will be located at the South end of the Ed. Services building near the Duck pond. The meal will consist

of Hot dogs, chips, cookies, lemonade, water and Ice Cream (Donated by the Dairy Producers).

The tailgate is scheduled from 3-5pm. Volunteers are still needed for the give away, tickets and kids games tables, as well as help to stuff the envelopes with the football tickets.

D. Picnic update – Gena Frank – October 16th at the Horseshoe- F&S will set up and tear down tables and chairs, DJ Paul Flores is booked and the A Mountain Award will be presented. The menu for the picnic will be the Italian menu with cookies with the Community Colleges logos.

Reports: Very few reports are being sent in to Greg Block to send out prior to the Employee Council meetings. Please make sure to get these in for distribution.

OTHER: The subject of the Lottery scholarship not being able to be used with the Staff waiver came up and will be looked further into by Greg Block to see if this is a Financial Aide issue or Employee Benefits issue.

Meeting Adjourned –by Hiranya Roychowdhury and seconded by Dr. Dario Silva 3:34PM