

**Eastern New Mexico University – Ruidoso Branch  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
ENMU-Ruidoso Room 201, Microsoft Teams Link  
February 17, 2022, 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Declare a Quorum**

Chairman Brad Treptow called a quorum at 5:04 p.m. Members present at the meeting were, Ms. Gina Klinekole and Ms. Romelia Carr. Ms. Marla Frye-Romero and Mr. Murray Murphy (Mr. Murray entered remotely after Routine Matters and did not vote on the Agenda or Approval of Minutes.) were present on Teams remotely. Dr. Patrice Caldwell, Chancellor of ENMU System, Mr. Ryan Trosper, President of ENMU-Ruidoso, and Ms. Cynthia Dulong were present.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** Ms. Gina Klinekole  
**Seconded:** Ms. Marla Frye-Romero  
**Vote:** 3-0-0  
**Motion approved**

**Approval of Minutes**

November 18, 2022 Regular Meeting and January 12, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** Ms. Marla Frye-Romero  
**Seconded:** Ms. Gina Klinekole  
**Vote:** 3-0-0  
**Motion approved for both sets of minutes**

**ROUTINE MATTERS**

**Introduction of Guests**

Chair Treptow introduced Cynthia Dulong, Maricia Alleman, Alexandria Ramirez-Pollaco, Coda Omness, Dr. Karen Massey, Dr. Patrice Caldwell, Mr. Ryan Trosper, Honorable Katie Lund, Katherine Kiefer, and John Rucker. New employees, John Rucker as the Career and Technology Education– Alex Ramirez-Polaco as ENMU-Roswell Nursing Faculty, Ashley Roberts – Success Emporium Advocate, Bea Ontiveros, Facilities Support Technician.

**Public Comments**

None

**Oath of Office – Position 4**

Chair Treptow introduced Honorable Judge Lund, Magistrate Judge, to read the Oath of the Office for the of Ms. Romelia Carr. This position on the ENMU-Ruidoso Community College Board is position 4 and will be up for re-election in 2023. Ms. Romelia Carr appointed to Community College Board, Lincoln County, State of New Mexico. Dr. Karen Massey will notarize the Oath.

**Nursing Partnership**

Ms. Alexandria Ramirez-Polaco stated that she is a native to Ruidoso and completed her CNA program at ENMU-Ruidoso. The ENMU-Ruidoso Nursing Program is affiliated with the ENMU-Roswell Program. The program is ranked #1 in New Mexico and 11<sup>th</sup> in the Southwestern States. This is a first year partnership with ENMU-Ruidoso and we currently we have 4 students. The program is rigorous and intense but has a 98% success rate for the National Council for Licensure Exam (NCLEX). This is a great program credited with the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN). In the ENMU-Ruidoso Program we have lectures on campus and remote teaching. The first three weeks we have clinicals in Roswell. Recently had a rotation at Presbyterian Hospital in Ruidoso. This helps our community and encourage nursing retention. Looking forward to watching the program grow.

Chair Treptow asked about the experience of rotations at the hospital. Ms. Ramirez-Polaco stated that this is ENMU-Ruidoso Nursing Program's first year. It has been to partner locally.

President Trosper stated that ENMU-Ruidoso would like to train nurses here to be effective in our community. We are thankful to ENMU-Roswell to be able to partner with their Nursing Program. Through Research and public service, State, Legislature, Higher Education Department has funded us for \$178,600 to continue with this program. This is the first cohort group and we look forward to many cohorts in the future. We have been lucky to have Alexandria for the program.

Ms. Klinekole said thank you and Ms. Carr said she is doing an amazing job. No other comments.

#### **Report from ENMU System Chancellor**

Dr. Patrice Caldwell stated that there is good news from the New Mexico Governor. We will continue to protect those who feel they need to mask, as well as providing sanitation protocols and any reporting requirements. Pleased that the Legislative Session has concluded and it was productive working with President Trosper and President Powell. Dr. Caldwell stated to the two new members who are joining the board, Ms. Romelia Carr and Mr. Murray Murphy. You are in a significant role that the Community College Board represents for the ENMU-Ruidoso Campus. You are the eyes and ears of the community and an essential advisory function for President Trosper and for the Board of Regents. There will be an action item decided upon tonight which will be going in front of the Board of Regents. The Board of Regents take your stance on these decisions seriously for the campus. Change is always happening.

#### **Report from ENMU-Ruidoso Foundation Director**

Aim High 2022 will be on June 24 and 25. Due to growth, the Foundation has created a subcommittee to support the program. We are working on rescheduling the Spring Board Retreat with the Foundation. No questions from members.

#### **Report from ENMU-Ruidoso Community College Board Chair**

Chair Brad Treptow attended Lincoln County Days in Santa Fe. Legislators were present that evening and were well informed of ENMU and ENMU-Ruidoso. President Trosper has worked with these Legislators and their offices. He has done it in a way that it has been educational and supportive to our ENMU System and ENMU Campus. Thank you for the ground work from President Trosper.

#### **Report from ENMU-Ruidoso President**

President Trosper thank you for your nice words with a successful Legislative Session. Gratitude was expressed for the mentorship from Dr. Patrice Caldwell and Dr. Sean Powell. We have a mission that continues to advocate for the needs of our students.

We are at +10 and +16% with current enrollment which reflects numbers from Spring 2019. This is bringing us closer to pre-pandemic levels. Having new program development will continue to increase enrollment numbers. It has been two weeks since we have had a reported COVID case on campus. Partnerships in the community have taken place. One beginning with a food program for students in need. Last week Dr. Caldwell, Dr. Powell, and I attended a roundtable discussion about the Opportunity Scholarship at the New Mexico Junior College. Had the pleasure of talking with our Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham.

We currently have a request for proposal out for a facility master plan. We have another RFP out for a bookstore change. This will be potentially brought to the board next month for consideration. Potential partnership with Healing Americas Heroes. This will be a facility for veterans at the Sierra Blanca camp which used to be Fort Stanton. We look toward the next capital outlay project for 2024. This will go in front of the state this summer. This will also be brought to the board in March. We are proud of Vice President Coda Omness and her team in the Success Emporium with 135 students in Adult Education during the pandemic. Jessica Ortiz has worked hard to finish her Master's Degree with ENMU.



Chair Treptow had questions about the positives and matched enrollment from Spring 2019. How do our numbers compare with other institutions around the state? President Trosper responded that we are ahead of other Community Colleges. Without the residence halls it has helped increase enrollment without regulations. Being a commuter campus and opening the campus without having to space students in residence halls made our recovery easier.

Chair Treptow discussed the RFP facility master plan. The board should be receiving during the year a list of the rated or ranked capital improvement items that we would adopt. Will the board be provided a list if it has changed from last year's list? President Trosper answered yes. throughout the year the ICIP plan will be updated in front of the board. The plan will change as we receive money. At the top of the list is Nexus Phase III and Property Acquisition will be brought to CCB. This will include the next severance tax to review. Would like to bring in March if not in May because our deadline to have it to the Higher Education Department is by June 1.

Chair Treptow appreciates the work President Trosper and Vice President Omness has completed for the phlebotomy program. Much work has been investing into the program. Looking forward to the program development and employment and high need. President Trosper stated that Cynthia Orozco was nominated and elected to the Executive Board of the Organization of American Historians (national Board). Talk Campus has been initiated to address mental health and partner and help students.

Member Marla Frye-Romero, congratulations to Jessica Ortiz for Masters. Member Murray Murphy, thank you for the report. Member Romelia Carr – no comments. Secretary Gina Klinekole – Great updates, would like to see the facility be used more by the community. Would like to see graduation happen on campus.

President Trosper thanked Secretary Klinekole who accompanied the President to the Tribal Induction Ceremony. .

## **CONSENT AGENDA ITEM ACTION**

### **OMA RESOLUTION**

**Motion:** Mr. Murray Murphy  
**Seconded:** Ms. Gina Klinekole  
**Vote:** 5-0-0  
**Motion:** approved

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **1. Update on Nexus Phase III**

President Trosper – Phase III. Information – Supply chain issues – locked into a price. Awning is a 25 week leave time. Hoping for February start. Now it is April 4<sup>th</sup>. Work will happen on the south retaining wall, parking lot, exterior building, upgrades, landscaping, and exterior lighting. Main parking lot will be happening in the summer. End date of November 30.

Bronze brown color – in the packet. We are bringing the campus community into the decisions.

Chair Treptow stated most contracts have dates worked in for contingencies. An extension for weather or for some other interruption. Is that articulated in this agreement for this project and if it exceeds what is expected? Dr. Massey does not believe the supply chain issues are specifically included in the language. Would have to pull the agreement. It does address what is in control of the contractor and what is not in control of the contractor. Chair Treptow. Does not want the contractor to use is as a reason if it is not a genuine reason. President Trosper – will review the contract with Dr. Massey. Will review these concerns and return the Nexus Phase III update to the March meeting.

Chair Treptow – Parking lot in August – doesn't want it to impact the beginning of classes. President Trosper stated that August is a last date and not a first date. Dr. Massey stated that it is clearly communicated to the contractor asked about importance of being completed by summer. Parking lot

was conveyed as a priority. Chair Treptow would like the contractor to keep in mind that this area is used 7 days of the week. We would like to be a good neighbor to our surrounding businesses.

Any questions – No questions from the members.

## **2. Legislative Session Update**

President Trosper discussed that anything discussed in this presentation could be line item vetoed by Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. The Governor has authority to legislation not acted upon by the Governor to pocket veto.

House Bill 2 – General Appropriation Act – Instructions in general funds. Last year ENMU-Ruidoso received \$2.1M and this year we received \$2.137M. Within General Appropriation Act is the Nursing Partnership money which is from the Higher Education Department through a Research and Public Service Proposal.

Senate Bill 48 – Junior Bill – Gen Appropriations & Authority Expenditures – strategic plan asked for workforce development – 50K

Senate Bill 212 – Capital Outlay – typically comes from severance tax bonds which comes from oil and gas revenue and other revenue. Our ask this year from this Bill is for the Property Purchase. We are thankful to move forward in purchasing the rest of the mall. Thank you to the Chancellor, the board, and Former member James Paxton, and Foundation member Clara Farah and Scott Smart. In the next few months will finalize the purchase. From the beginning of the Dr. James Miller onward we have been hoping this could happen. Classroom Lab and Furnishings and Allied Health.

Senate Bill 140 – Opportunity Scholarship Act – Assistance for NM residents – assists with 6 hours or returning learners. Provides support for those outside of the Lottery Scholarships.

Senate Bill 7 – Compensation for faculty and staff – 7% increase. Doesn't hit inflation but we are grateful.

Dr. Caldwell stated that salary was very important and strong support for Higher Education. There was strong support from nurses, teachers, social workers. Service providers are not STEM programs and for service providers to be acknowledged it was important. Hydrogen hub and Clean Air Energy Act did not happen. However, she believes it will return. State is sitting on \$2.4B reserves, 28.4% of the entire budget. Analysts say it will go up next year. Oil and Gas is a global entity. Teacher salary increased dramatically. Tier 1 - \$50K, Tier 2 - \$60K, Tier 3 - \$70K.

Chair Treptow had questions on Senate Bill 140, the Opportunity Scholarship – is available to benefit nontraditional students? President Trosper responded that New Mexico is attempting to drive an almost free tuition model for residents. Chair Treptow asked about Capital Outlay. Will we have to return to the Higher Education Committee for the Property Purchase? President Trosper responded that we will have to return to the Committee and the State Board of Finance. Chair Treptow stated we are looking for continued support and footprint of growth. We don't want it to be held against us in acquiring the property. President Trosper believes we have support with the other committees.

Member Murray Murphy stated that he appreciated the information and hard work toward this appropriation. No other comments.

President Trosper – Under Dr. Caldwell all 3 systems were successful at Legislation. Reconciled with athletics and other successes under her leadership.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Recommended Course Fees FY 2022-2023**

Vice President Coda Omness introduced the Course Fees with Amended Course Fees. Ethical Hacking, Basic Woodworking, and Brewing I Course.



President Trospen discussed the course for Digital Media 1 & 2 and Workforce for Cyber Security added to course catalog. We presented fees as we intend program development. The initial fees are presented for the fermentation program.

Chair Treptow asked about Digital Media Courses. Vice President Omness stated that those are new courses approved through Academic Council. Digital Media I and II. We have started a new Workforce program for Cybersecurity. These include lab fees and are four new courses added to the course catalog. President Trospen stated we are being responsive to our community and a New Mexico need. Our campus is updating a room with new technology to explore digital media / graphic design. Chair Treptow asked what consumables will be connected to digital media? Vice President Omness responded with items being used will be printers, ink, software, paper.

Member Murray Murphy asked if these course fees are for 2023 and is this done on an annual basis in February? Vice President Coda Omness stated that we discuss course fees about this time each year and it becomes effective for summer, fall, and spring. President Trospen states that faculty review courses in the fall and present it to the Community College Board. It then goes in front of the Board of Regents for the summer catalog term.

No other comments.

**Motion: Ms. Gina Klinekole**  
**Seconded: Ms. Marla Frye-Romero**  
**Vote: 5-0-0**  
**Motion approved**

#### BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

- February 18<sup>th</sup> ENMU Board of Regents Meeting at ENMU-Ruidoso 1:30pm
- February 24<sup>th</sup> ENMU- Ruidoso Foundation Meeting at ENMU-Ruidoso 3:00pm
- March 10<sup>th</sup> ENMU-Ruidoso Budget Workshop at ENMU-Ruidoso 5:00pm
- March 25<sup>th</sup> ENMU Board of Regents Meeting at ENMU-Portales 8:30am
- March 31<sup>st</sup> ENMU- Ruidoso Community College Board Meeting at ENMU-Ruidoso 5:00pm
- May 12<sup>th</sup> ENMU-Ruidoso Graduation Inn of the Mountain Gods 6:00pm

#### ADJOURNMENT

**Motion: Mr. Murray Murphy**  
**Seconded: Ms. Gina Klinekole**  
**Vote: 5-0-0**  
**Motion approved**  
**Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm**



Brad Treptow  
Chairman, Community College Board

3/31/22  
Date



Gina Klinekole  
Secretary, Community College Board

3-31-2022  
Date

Submitted for approval by: Cynthia Dulong, Office Administrator to the President