



**EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY – RUIDOSO BRANCH  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD MEETING  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
ENMU-Ruidoso Campus, Room 106  
February 13, 2025 • 5:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Brad Treptow called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and declared a quorum of 3 of 5 members present. Present members included Brad Treptow, Marla Frye-Romero, Murray Murphy.

Additional attendees were Robin DeMott, Rochelle Lentschke, Shelly Elfelt, Coda Omness, Sharon Young, Karen Massey, Chelsea DeMott, Naomi Muncy, Cassie Frizzell, and Frizzell Frizzell, Jr.

**DECLARE A QUORUM**

A quorum was declared with 3 of 5 members present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Brad Treptow.

**APPROVE THE AGENDA**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy

**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero

**Vote:** 3-0-0

**Motion:** Motion passed to approve the agenda with removal of Action Item 2.

**APPOINTMENT FOR BOARD VACANCY**

**Motion:** Marla Frye-Romero

**Seconded:** Murray Murphy

**Vote:** 3-0-0

**Motion:** Motion passed.

**OATH OF OFFICE OF NEW BOARD MEMBER**

Dr. Karen Massey administered Oath of Office to new board member Frizzell Frizzell, Jr.

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy

**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero

**Vote:** 4-0-0

**Motion:** Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy  
**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero  
**Vote:** 4-0-0  
**Motion:** Motion passed.

#### **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 BOARD RETREAT MINUTES**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy  
**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero  
**Vote:** 4-0-0  
**Motion:** Motion passed.

#### **ROUTINE MATTERS**

##### **Introduction of guests**

President Ryan Trosper welcomed New Board Member Frizzell Frizzell, Jr., Robin DeMott – Chief External Affairs Officer, Dr. Karen Massey – Chief Business Officer, Sharon Young-Career and Transfer Specialist, Rochelle Lentschke - Foundation Director, Coda Omness – Vice President of Student Learning and Success, Chelsea DeMott – ENMU-Rodeo Coach, Naomi Muncy - Intern, Cassie Frizzell, Shelly Elfelt – Science Department Chair.

##### **Public Comment**

No public comment.

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

No report.

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

13 new spring scholarships for students. Fall and spring we had 39 scholarships for \$57,000. United Healthcare renewal of healthcare commitment for 2025. Aim High planning fundraiser event in May for rodeo team. Assets over \$700,000, \$600,000 invested. Board Retreat February 1, 2025 for Board development. Added new Foundation Board member. Working on larger asks. New ENMU-Ruidoso debit card through 1<sup>st</sup> Savings Bank.

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

Chair Treptow welcomes new board member Frizzell Frizzell, Jr. Excited to see Chelsea DeMott in attendance. Thank to my colleagues for successful Planning Retreat.

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

President Trosper presented at the end of January to the American Association of Community Colleges Workforce Development Institute. Trying to bring back information on how artificial intelligence have a place in the workforce. Through an opportunity in the fall, led to grant money to send Makayla Johnston and Jocelyn Rose to attend disaster recovery training. Trying to train staff on how to handle disasters. Growing a commitment to the

community. Invited to speak at HLC conference on President's panel to discuss disaster recovery. Working on local partner for student housing. Able to legislative money for Science Department to establish an agriculture program. Thankful for partnership with workforce connection centers. Campus update on Food Security. Serving 51 households a week over 110 individuals. Partnership with Mescalero Apache Tribe – 24 Tribal employees completed CDL licenses with us. Over 75 employees are now in or have completed Management Training.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Strategic Planning: Enrollment Priority Update**

President Trosper introduced the five key areas to enrollment. Enrollment engagement, enhancement and expansion. Operational plan: spring enrollment up 3%. FTE is up 11%, which is our fifth consecutive year of enrollment growth. For 2019/20 enrollment was basically 625 in the fall. About 550 in the spring and now we're closer to 850 in the fall and 730 in the spring with essentially the same budget.

### **Legislative Update**

President Trosper gave an update on the Legislative Session. The session is at halfway point. 800 total bills presented. Compensation will end up being 3-4%. New Mexico FAIR Plan for insurance was addressed. \$300,000 for nursing partnership. Capital outlay is \$375,000 to help with parking lot with Sierra Mall.

### **Branding and Style Guide**

Robin DeMott presented information on Branding and Style Guide for ENMU-Ruidoso. Working on a photo library that represents ENMU-Ruidoso, not so much stock photo usage.

### **Athletics Update**

Chelsea DeMott – ENMU-Rodeo Coach presented short bio and spoke of how Rodeo will work for students athletically as well as educationally. Mentioned fundraiser in conjunction with the Foundation.

### **Construction Update**

President Trosper gave information on the workforce training center and mentioned that an RFP is out for Architectural Services. Received \$125,000 to equip educational spaces for science technology, engineering and math. Received \$225,000 for welding and construction trades. We have a fully functioning generator. \$74,000 to upgrade cameras and card readers. Have a second RFP out for the other \$76,000 to expand card reader access.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Authorization of Open Meetings Act**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy  
**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero  
**Vote:** 4-0-0  
**Motion:** Motion was made to pass Open Meeting Act.

#### **Course Fees FY 2026**

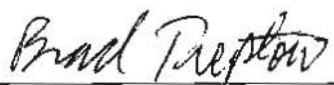
**Motion:** Marla Frye-Romero  
**Seconded:** Frizzell Frizzell, Jr.  
**Vote:** 4-0-0  
**Motion:** Motion was made to approve FY 26 Course Fees.

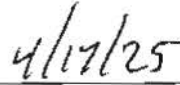
#### **BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS**

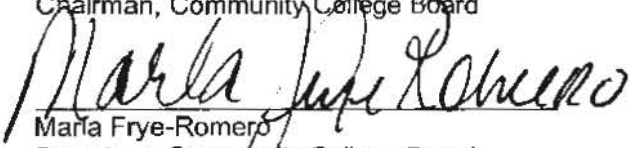
- February 28<sup>th</sup> ENMU-Board of Regents Meeting at ENMU-Ruidoso
- March 13<sup>th</sup> ENMU-Ruidoso Branch Community College Board Budget Meeting
- May 8<sup>th</sup> ENMU-Ruidoso Graduation

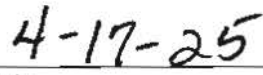
#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Murray Murphy  
**Seconded:** Marla Frye-Romero  
**Vote:** 4-0-0  
**Motion:** Motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

  
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Brad Treptow  
Chairman, Community College Board

  
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Marla Frye-Romero  
Secretary, Community College Board

  
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