

**The
Faculty Assembly Meeting**

MINUTES

October 18, 2024 12:30 PM ZOOM

MEETING CALLED BY:	Dr. Carolyn Kuchera, Faculty Assembly President
MINUTES ASSEMBLED BY:	Andrew McFeaters, Faculty Assembly Secretary
FACULTY ATTENDEES:	Karla Baldonado, Markos Chavez, Chris Dyer, Robert Encinio, Vanessa Ferguson, Lucia Guerrero, Jennifer Henry, Yi-Wen Huang, Jeffery Hunt, Hasani Jayasinghe, Carolyn Kuchera, Carmela Lanza, L.D. Lovett, Andrew McFeaters, Roseanna McGinn, Arun Muthaiyan, *EM nk12 0 embly Secbl

INFORMATION**PRESIDENT'S REPORT****DR. CAROLYN KUCHERA**

Dr. Carolyn Kuchera reports that the committees are starting to come together. The rosters are being filled and the chairs are being selected. There are three committees who have yet to select their chairs. Those committees should proceed as soon possible. Regarding a different issue, Dr. Kuchera mentions that she is concerned about the delays in repairs at Calvin Hall. It seems unlikely that the technology in Calvin Hall's classrooms will be ready by spring semester. For those faculty who are being assigned classrooms in Calvin Hall, they should be aware of this issue and communicate with division chairs for status updates. Finally, regarding November's Faculty Assembly meeting, faculty should reach out to her or other Operations Committee members if they wish to see items added to the agenda.

The next item of business includes a presentation from our Faculty Research Report Officer, Dr. Andrea Orzoff.

INFORMATION**FACULTY RESEARCH SUPPORT****DR. ANDREA ORZOFF**

Dr. Andrea Orzoff greets attending faculty and introduces herself. She shares a Powerpoint on the Office of the Vice President for Research and its Faculty Research Development Office. The goal of the office is to provide greater transparency for the overarching research enterprise at UNM and how faculty fit into it. The office is involved in the pre-award process for finding, and applying for, funding. Its goal is to help UNM researchers, instructors, and staff diversify their research portfolio and to bring in awards. For anyone interested in collective or interdisciplinary projects, the office facilitates bringing cohorts together. The office helps applicants work on their proposals. The office holds limited competitions to cull the required numbers for the process. UNM-Gallup competitions are independent from main campus. In the near future, there will be trainings and workshops for UNM-Gallup faculty. These will help faculty learn how to tailor their research projects for the application process.

Dr. Kuchera and faculty thank Dr. Orzoff for her presentation. Dr Kuchera then introduces Janelle Eastman, representative of TimeCare, to present on TimelyCare services for students.

INFORMATION**TIMELYCARE PRESENTATION****JANELLE EASTMAN**

Janelle Eastman shares a Powerpoint to illustrate the diverse virtual services that TimelyCare provides for students. She is the Customer Success Manager at TimelyCare. TimelyCare is a virtual health and wellbeing platform that is free for students at University of New Mexico. Its goal is to help foster student success and to improve the health and wellbeing in all areas of students' lives--mental health support, medical health support, and peer support. TimelyCare is available to students 24/7 all year round. No insurance or copays are needed. TimelyCare's providers are licensed in all fifty states. They are well versed in student issues. Providers are chosen to reflect the diversity of students. Students are empowered to choose their providers based on their needs. Provider bios are available. Bilingual providers are also available in Spanish and English. Medically trained interpreters also can be used for visits. Another service made available by TimelyCare is called Medical Now. This is an on-demand medical care service for common medical needs--allergies, skin rashes, colds, flus, etc. Students can access care usually within seven minutes. Students also can schedule a meeting in advance. In terms of the behavioral side of healthcare, TimelyCare offers what is called Talk Now, which is also active 24/7 all year. This is for in-the-moment emotional support. Wait times are usually five minutes. Aside from Talk Now, there is scheduled counseling. Students can select their preferred provider. Students are allotted up to twelve visits per academic year. If more help is needed, a Care Navigation Team helps students access other resources within their communities. For more advanced mental health support,

participating should contact him. Finally, another author, Stanley Milford, who wrote *The Paranormal Ranger*, will speak on November 11th. He was a member of the Navajo Police.

Richard Reyes mentions the upcoming afterhours employee dinner at King Dragon at 6PM, October 26th. Tickets are \$35. This is a fundraiser for the Staff Council. There will also be door prizes.

Dr. Dyer mentions that there will be a campus event on the 21st and 22nd of November. He has been working with the Army Corps of Engineers, the Office of the President of Navajo Nation, Navajo EMS, Navajo Technical University, and George Mason University. The Army Corps has come up with a device that creates electricity and produces water. It is useful during disasters. H2 Rescue Vehicles will come to campus on the 21st, parking in front of the gym. A food truck will be there. Dr. Dyer mentions that he has also been working with the Navajo Nation chapter houses, starting with a pilot project at Church Rock Chapter house with Larry King and Dr. Carolene Whitman. The goal of the project is to train people on community action response teams in order to prepare for disasters. All faculty are invited. The event on Friday will take place from 9AM to 1PM. A flyer will go out soon.

Professor Kristi Wilson thanks everyone for coming out to Dan Grissom's workshop. Over sixty people attended. A few prints are left over if anyone is interested.

L.D. Lovett thanks everyone for participating in submitting language samples for the new welcome signage. L.D. then promotes the upcoming Diversity Summit.

ACTION ITEM

ADJOURNMENT

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Motion to adjourn.	
Motion: Dr. Dyer	
Seconded: Yes	
Vote: Unanimous	
Motion Carried: Yes	
Meeting adjourned at 1:50PM by Faculty Assembly President Dr Carolyn Kuchera.	
Recorded by: Dr. Andrew McFeaters, Faculty Assembly Secretary, on October 18, 2024.	