Minutes of the Regular Meeting
(continued from 5/31/01)
NMC – Saipan Campus
06/11/01

I. Call to order: 10:55 a.m.

II. Chairman’s remarks and Preliminary Matters

A. Present


2. NMC Staff and Faculty: Dr. Barbara Moir (Acting President), Kohne Ramon, David Atalig, Danny Wyatt and Vince Merfen (recorder).

3. Other guests: Agnes McPhetres and Ivan Propst,

B. Agenda

1. Delete minutes of 05/31/01; item I.C. of today's agenda; because today's meeting is a continuation of 5/31/01.

2. Motion: to amend the adjournment of the 5/31/01 meeting to show a recess to today, 11 June 01.

3. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Add into old business – EUCON.

III. Old Business

A. BOR Policy 5002, Residency

1. Updated Policy distributed and explained by George Pangelinan.

2. Item II D – delete “above”.

3. Motion: to approve with grammatical corrections to be made by proponent.

4. Discussion
a. Vince Seman: Does this conflict with state definitions… Legal Council: Does not matter! “This board defines for its purposes what is resident-” Other definitions by others are not impacted.

b. Implementation effective immediately upon favorable vote with no retroactivity.

c. Reimbursement George Pangelinan estimates 1 or 2.

5. **Motion carried unanimously.**

B. EUCON Request for Certification as an Institution of Higher Education – Mrs. McPhetres & Mr. Ivan Probst Reporting.

1. Chairman Atalig gives a summary and background to this item.

2. Pacific RIM has met all requirements of their contract.

3. Vince Seman: “Are there procedures to revoke?” Legal Council: “If the law gives you the power to create then it implies the power to modify or terminate.”

4. Working on review process… currently, draft procedures has provisions to revoke if standards are no longer met.

5. Enough material now available to act on the EUCON request.

6. Motion for regents to review and come back on Special Meeting.

IV. New Business

A. BOR Policy 3010, Academic Integrity assigned to Program Committee. Dr. Moir gives brief explanation.

B. Election of Officers

1. Missing member (Regent Taitano), Chair suggests to table elections due to the fact that one regent is not present. Past attempts to conduct elections were tabled in order to afford all members the opportunity to participate.

2. Regent Seman was concerned that the BOR is changing positions; where in the past it was more important that the regents portray stability. Having an Interim Chair for an extended period of time is perceived as instability.

3. Legal Council advised on requirements of by-laws; Regular elections are held at the end of June of even years. If a vacancy occurs, special elections are to be made… the new officer will serve only the remaining portion of the previous officer's term as an officer or up to his/her term as a regent (which ever comes first). Regent Villagomez's term as a regent expires in August of 2001.
4. If elections are conducted today, the by-laws mandate new elections after August this year; only two months later. Regent Guerrero expressed concern that this will portray greater instability.

5. **Motion**: to table elections of officers until August 2001.

6. **Motion carried unanimously.**

V. Executive Session:

A. Chairman reported that the Dr. Ikeda proposal was debated during Executive Session.

B. Regent Seman raised *an Objection to the Consideration of the Question*: to grant Dr. Ikeda the title of "Honorary Professor."

C. **The matter was dismissed by a majority vote.** (4-for; 1-against; 1-abstain)

VI. Adjourn: 3:40 p.m.