Meeting Called to order at 3:50pm

I. Preliminary Matters
   A. Roll Call
      a. Regent Inos
      b. Regent Furey
      c. Regent Orilla
      d. Regent Furey
      e. Regent Cepeda-Excused
      f. Regent Peter- Excused
      g. Regent Debbie Diaz
      h. Regent Rumptz
      i. President Wyatt
      j. Jesse Borja- Counsel

Regent Furey moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Regent Orilla, Motion carries.

II. Public Comment/ Miscellaneous
   A. H.B. 15-176 (P.L. 15-24 Amendment)
      a. Chair Dr. Inos shared with the board her discussions with legislative leaders. She mentioned that the NMC leadership team along with fellow regents visited the house and senate of the NMI legislature. An amendment was promised by the leaders to exempt NMC. Amendment 15-176 was passed by the house and is referred to the senate. The amendment exempts certain faculty positions and the college remains open on Fridays. President Wyatt mentioned that he requested that NMC be exempted from closing on austerity Fridays.
b. Staff Senate Rep. Debbie Diaz informed the board that the staff senate opposes the amendment since it divides the college community.

c. President Wyatt shared a letter he received from WASC senior commission regarding the austerity holiday public law. He mentioned that the law has serious accreditation issues that need to be addressed.

d. Chair Dr. Inos shared her vision to continue to work for the betterment of NMC. She requested that all stakeholders assist in presenting NMC positively.

B. 2007 NMC Budget Update

a. President Wyatt shared with the board the difficulties the administration has in preparing a balanced budget. The budget is being formulated to show the consolidated figures of all monies coming into the college along with the expenditures.

b. Chair Dr. Inos mentioned that the board is aware of the challenges and that the Fiscal and Legislative Committee will further review the FY 07’ budget.

III. Old Business

A. Presidential Search

a. Regent Orilla recognize Former President Agnes McPhetres. She informs the board that President McPhetres was selected Chairperson of the Presidential Search Committee. President McPhetres shared with the board the process that was utilized to create the job announcement for the NMC President. The proposed announcement was provided in the BOR packet for members to review. President McPhetres requested that the board approve the announcement so that it could be published in the local, regional and national print media.

b. Regent Furey requested that teaching experience be included in the job qualifications. Regent Furey believes that this is an important attribute.

c. President McPhetres acknowledged that the committee considered this attribute and felt that it should be eliminated to broaden the pool of applicant.

d. Regent Furey requested to amend the announcement to reflect “or a combination of both teaching and management experience.”
e. Regent Furey requested that the applications be sent to HR-Presidential Search Chair per BOR policy.

f. Regent McPhetres pointed out the timeline created by the committee. The timeline was provided in the BOR packet.

g. Legal counsel suggested that the $80,000 salary should say “up to $80,000” to allow flexibility. Additional duties assigned by the board should be added as well. And that the austerity statute be included in the announcement.

h. Regent Furey motions to accept the presidential search committee report and timeline as amended by the board. Seconded by Regent Orilla. Vote: Roll Call- Unanimous.

IV. New Business
   a. None

Motion to move into executive session by Regent Furey. Seconded by Regent Lizama. Motion carries.

V. Executive Session
   a. No action taken.

VI. Adjournment 5:35pm
   a. Motion Regent Furey
   b. Seconded Regent Lizama

/s/ Dr. Rita Hocog Inos
Chairperson, Board of Regents

August 30, 2006
Date