MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF REGENTS
Special Meeting
Monday, March 14, 2011
10:45 a.m.

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Attendance:

Board of Regents: Regent Juan T. Lizama, BOR Chairperson; Regent Elaine Hocog Orilla, Regent Maria (Malua) T. Peter, Regent Frank M. Rabauliman, and Regent Andrew L. Orsini.

Honorary Members: Dr. John Griffin, representing Larry Lee Faculty Senate President; and Clarice Dlg. Arriola, Staff Senate President.

College Staff and Faculty: Lorraine T. Cabrera, Interim President; Martin Mendiola, Rota Campus Administrator (via video teleconference, Rota Campus); Maria Aguon, Tinian Campus Administrator (via video teleconference, Tinian Campus); Dr. John Griffin, Business Department Chair; Tim Baker, Counseling Director; Leo Pangelinan, Dean of Student Services; Cyndi Guerrero, Admissions and Record Office Director; Farah Younis, OIA Marketing Manager; Frankie Eliptico, OIA Director; Joyce Taro, Academic Programs & Services; John Manalo, HRO Manager; Bobbi Merfalen, Dean of Academic Programs & Services; Gerri Willis, President’s Office; and Helen Camacho, OIA (Recorder).

Others: Jesus C. Borja, NMC Legal Counsel; Junhan Todeno, Marianas Variety News Reporter.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order on Friday, March 11, 2011 at 10:45 a.m. in the BOR Conference Room at the Northern Marianas College, Saipan campus.

A. Roll Call

BOR Chairperson Juan T. Lizama called roll. Five members of the Board of Regents were present.

B. Review and Adoption of Agenda
Motion: Regent Orilla moved to adopt the agenda.
Second: Regent Peter seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

III. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. December 22, 2010 Regular Meeting

1. Page 2: Review and Adoption of Minutes

   Motion: Regent Orsini moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the October 7, 2010 Regular Meeting and December 10, 2010 Special Meeting.

2. Page 5: Executive session (in italics)

   Add a sentence after the period “Upon return from Executive Session, the following motions were made.”

b. February 10, 2011 Special Meeting

1. Page 4: The paragraph in italics, the word “during” on the second line, change to “after” the executive session.

2. Page 5: The second sentence should read, “The board did not take any action after the executive session.”

c. February 19, 2011 Special Meeting

1. Page 2: check recording and delete one motion.

2. Part IV (in italics): the second sentence should read, “Upon reconvening the meeting, the board did not take any action on any matter discussed during executive session.”

3. Page 3: Chairman Lizama used the word “collaboration” instead of “collaborating”

d. February 28, 2011 Special Meeting

1. Page 3 (paragraph in italics): Delete the word “during” and insert “after the”

2. For the record, Regent Orsini did not participate in the executive session.

3. Reflect the day of the meeting to show “Monday” instead of Thursday.

e. March 3, 2011 Special Meeting

1. Page 2 Public comments: Mr. Baker had made some inquiries and the minutes should reflect the Chair’s response to his inquiries.
2. Page 2 Presidential Search Committee: Indicate that Legal Counsel responded to the Chairperson’s inquiry.

3. Page 3 (paragraph in italics): Change the word “during” to “after the”

Chairperson Lizama asked Legal Counsel Borja to inform the Board of the suggested changes he had noted to him prior to the meeting. The Board agreed to the suggested changes.


**Second:** Regent Peter seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion passed unanimously.

### IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(At any time during the scheduled meeting the Board of Regents may be required to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters deemed privileged and confidential)

**Motion:** Regent Orilla moved to enter into Executive Session at 11:09 a.m. on Monday, March 14, 2011.

**Second:** Regent Peter seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion passed unanimously

*For the record, the executive session ended at 12:25 p.m. on Monday, March 14, 2011. Upon return from the executive session, the board made the following action.*

### V. NEW BUSINESS

a. NMC March 15, 2011 Show Cause Report

Chairperson Lizama thanked the staff for all the hard work that has been put into the report. He informed the full board that the report is ready for their review and approval.

**Motion:** Regent Peter moved to accept the NMC March 14, 2011 Show Cause Report with pending changes for the final report.

**Second:** Regent Orilla seconded the motion.

Regent Orsini asked that the vote be made by roll call.

**Vote:** The motion passed unanimously.

*Yes : Regent Orilla
  Regent Orsini
  Regent Rabauliman
  Regent Peter
  Regent Chair Lizama*
For the record, Regent Orsini voted yes but specified some reservation based on discussion made during the executive session. Regent Rabauliman noted that he reviewed the report and thanked the staff for all the hard work that went into the report.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** Regent Peter moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:31 p.m. on Monday, March 14, 2011.

**Second:** Regent Orsini seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion passed unanimously.