I. Preliminary Matters

Attendance:

**Board Members:** Juan T. Lizama, Chairperson; Regent Elaine Hocog Orilla, Vice-Chairperson; Regent Frank M. Rabauliman; Regent Andrew L. Orsini; Regent William S. Torres; Regent Maria (Malua) T. Peter.

**Honorary Members:** Alex Shen, Honorary Regent/ASNMC Student Regent; Marie Coleman, Regent/Staff Senate President.

**Staff and Faculty:** Sharon Y. Hart, Executive Secretary to the Board of Regents; Chris Timmons, HR Director/Legal Counsel; Dave Attao, Dean of Administration; **Others:** Jesus Borja, NMC Legal Counsel

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order at 9:30a.m on Friday, November 09, 2012, BOR Conference Room.

II. Roll Call

BOR Chairperson Juan T. Lizama called roll. Six members of the were present. A quorum was established.

a. **REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Regent Peter motioned to adopt the agenda, Vice-Chairperson Orilla seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

b. **TO SUSPEND THE ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

Regent Orsini motioned to address the Accreditation Matters and the President’s Evaluation. Regent Peter seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

c. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session called at 10:10a.m on Friday, November 09, 2012. Executive session ended at 4:00p.m. and upon convening the meeting, the board did not take any action.
Regent Orsini motioned to recess at 4:10p.m on Friday, November 09, 2012 and continue on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 9:30a.m. Regent Peter seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

NORTHERN MARIANAS COLLEGE
BOARD OF REGENTS REGULAR MEETING
Friday, November 09, 2012
Continued Tuesday, November 13, 2012
9:30a.m.

III. Preliminary Matters

Attendance:

Board Members: Juan T. Lizama, Chairperson; Regent Elaine Hocog Orilla, Vice-Chairperson; Regent Frank M. Rabauliman; Regent Andrew L. Orsini; Regent William S. Torres and Regent Maria (Malua) T. Peter.

Honorary Members: Daniel Kintol on behalf of Marie Coleman, Honorary Regent/Staff Senate President; Amanda Diaz, Honorary Regent/Faculty Senate President

Staff and Faculty: Chris Timmons, Acting President on behalf of Sharon Y. Hart, Executive Secretary to the Board of Regents; Leo Pangelinan, Dean of Student Services; Cynthia Deleon Guerrero, School of Education Instructor and Helen B. Camacho (Recorder).

Others: Jesus Borja, NMC Legal Counsel

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order at 10:00a.m on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, BOR Conference Room.

IV. Roll Call

BOR Chairperson Juan T. Lizama called roll. Six members of the board were present. A quorum was established.

a. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. September 12, 2012 – Regular Meeting

Regent Peter motioned to adopt the September 12, 2012 and continuation of September 18, 2012 meeting minutes. Regent Orilla seconded the motion. Regent Torres inquired about the non-existence of procedures for repealing Policies. It was recommended that a format should be consistent with others that have already been presented. There was some discussion about a formal process for policy review. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

Amendment: To reflect that in the September 12, 2012 memorandum from Dean Merfalen that the purpose of the request is to repeal and reinstate the policies as procedures as outlined in the matrix.
Adopted on May 01, 2013

2. September 26, 2012 – Special Meeting

Regent Orilla motioned to adopt the September 26, 2012 Special meeting minutes. Regent Peter seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

3. October 12, 2012 – Special Meeting

Regent Orilla motioned to adopt the October 12, 2012 Special meeting minutes. Regent Rabauliman seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

V. REPEAL OF OLD BOARD POLICIES – STUDENT SERVICES

Dean Leo Pangelinan, Student Services provided an update and presented the matrix for recommendations for the adoption and repeal of policies related to Student Affairs and conversion of selected policies and administrative procedures.

The board agreed to table this item for next meeting. The board will assign this matter to a board committee.

VI. REPEAL OF OLD BOARD POLICIES – HUMAN RESOURCES – Tabled for next meeting.

VII. BOARD POLICY NO. 401 – RESIDENCY CLASSIFICATION

Regent Torres motioned to adopt Board Policy No. 401 – Residency Classification. Regent Peter seconded the motion. Regent Torres registered some concerns with respect to revenue and the law that defines the basic residency law. All members voted no, the motion did not pass.

Yes – None
No – Chairperson Lizama
Vice-Chairperson Orilla
Regent Peter
Regent Torres
Regent Rabauliman
Regent Orsini

VIII. BOARD POLICY POLICY NO. 402 – STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

Regent Peter motioned to adopt Board Policy No. 402 - Student Health Insurance. Regent Orilla seconded the motion. There was a discussion about exploring health insurance providers offered on island as well as off-island. Alex Shen, Honorary Regent/ASNMC President noted that the International students do not support this policy. It was recommended to stipulate the effective date.

Regent Peter withdrew her motion. Regent Rabauliman seconded the motion. There were no objections, the motion is withdrawn.

IX. BOARD POLICY NO. 206.3 – BUDGET, AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE – Tabled

X. BOARD POLICY NO. 203.1 – PRESIDENT’S AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES – Tabled
XI. BOARD POLICY NO. 206 - POLICY INTRODUCTION, AMENDMENT, PASSAGE & SUSPENSION - Tabled

XII. WESTERN INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Dr. Sharon Y. Hart, NMC President is attending a WICHE meeting in Utah. The CNMI government approved the funding for membership.

XIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative Initiative No. 17-12 recently passed. The next step is to approach the legislature about amending the constitution.

XIII. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The President’s report was provided in the packet. There was an inquiry from Amanda Diaz, Honorary Regent/Faculty Senate President about the role and responsibility of each constituent member. There was some discussion about addressing this matter in the upcoming board retreat.

Regent Torres motioned for a legal opinion about the membership, roles and responsibilities of the honorary members. Regent Orsini seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments with the exception of one written comments submitted by Mr. Frank Sobolewski pertaining to the Legislative Initiative 17-12, Mission.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Regent Peter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:36p.m on Tuesday, November 13, 2012. Regent Orsini seconded the motion. All members voted yes, the motion passed. Next meeting was scheduled for November 30, 2012 Regular meeting.