I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Attendance:

**Board of Regents:** Juan T. Lizama, BOR Chairperson; Regent Elaine Hocog Orilla, Vice-Chairperson; Regent Andrew L. Orsini; Regent William S. Torres and Regent Maria (Malua) T. Peter

**Excused Absent:** Regent Frank M. Rabauliman.

**Honorary Members:** Alex Shen, Honorary Regent/ANMC President; Marie Coleman, Honorary Regent/Staff Senate President and Amanda Diaz, Honorary Regent/Faculty Senate President.

**College Staff and Faculty:** Dr. Sharon Y. Hart, Executive Secretary to the Board of Regents/NMC President; Chris Timmons, HR Director/ Legal Counsel; Kyle Podziewski, SOE Instructor; Cindy Deleon Guerrero, SOE Instructor; Rosaline Cepeda, SOE Instructor and Helen B. Camacho, Board Secretary (Recorder).

**Others:** Jesus C. Borja, NMC Legal Counsel.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Regents was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, January 07, 2012, BOR Conference Room in Building P, NMC Saipan Campus.

II. ROLL CALL

Juan T. Lizama, BOR Chairperson called roll call. Five members of the Board of Regents were present. A quorum was established. Regent Rabauliman is excused absent. Chairperson Lizama welcomed everyone to the meeting.

a. **Review and Adoption of Agenda**

**BOARD ACTION:**

Regent Orilla motioned to adopt the January 7, 2013 special meeting agenda and seconded by Regent Peter. All five members voted yes, the motion passed.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION
Chairperson Lizama announced that the board would be in executive session. Regent Peter motioned to move into executive session. All five members voted yes, the motion passed. Executive session ended at 11:20 a.m. on Monday, January 07, 2013.

V. FACULTY CONCERNS

Chairperson Lizama called the meeting back to order and informed the public that the board met to deliberate on the evidence as presented by the faculty. After much discussion and review of all of the evidence, the board is ready to issue its decision to each of the parties.

BOARD ACTION:

Regent Orilla motioned to recommend to the full board to accept the recommendation from the working group as the product that resulted from the BOR working session on the findings on the faculty concerns and seconded by Regent Peter. Regent Peter and Regent Orsini provided some comments. It was agreed that it was a difficult decision but hopes that both parties are able to work together for the sake of the institution most especially for the students. Regent Torres also noted that this has been an enlightening experience for him. He underscores the challenge in trying to pursue accountability in the most transparent fashion. Chairperson thanked everyone for his or her cooperation especially for following proper protocol during this time period.

Yes – Chairperson Lizama
   Regent Orilla
   Regent Peter
   Regent Torres
   Regent Orsini

VI. ADJOURNMENT

BOARD ACTION:

Regent Orsini motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m. on Monday, January 07, 2013 and seconded by Regent Peter. All five members voted yes, the motion passed. The meeting is adjourned.