

**NORTHERN NEW MEXICO COLLEGE
BOARD OF REGENTS
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2021**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Regents of Northern New Mexico College was held on December 15, 2021 Via Zoom. Regents Present Michael A. Martin, Ruben Archuleta, Porter Swentzell, Erica Velarde, and Evelyn Juarez.

Northern New Mexico College Staff Present: President Richard J. Bailey, Jr., Ph.D. Ricky Bejarano, Vice President for Finance & Administration; Ricky A. Bejarano, Vice President – Finance & Administration; Ivan Lopez Hurtado, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs; Analise Lopez, IT; Sally Martinez, Executive Assistant to the Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs; Sandy Krolick, Creative Director, Communications and Marketing; Cheryl James, Chief Procurement Officer; Robert Palko, Registrar; Arin McKenna, Staff Writer/Reporter, Communications & Marketing; Vince Lithgow, Comptroller; Courtney Bruch, Library Director; Gwen Orona, Academic Advisor; Ken Dvorak, Distance Education Deborah Trujillo, IT; Frank Loera, and Amy Pena, Executive Office Director.

Faculty Present: Ellen Trabka; Joaquin Gallegos; David Lindblom; Frank Loera

Others Present: Robert Trapp, Rio Grande Sun; Jessica Terrazas, Ortiz & Zamora; Bárbara M. Medina, Ph.D.; Rebecca Estrada, LANL Community Programs Office; Jake Arnold

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Martin called the meeting to order at 3:01PM.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board President Martin entertained a motion to approve the agenda.

Regent Swentzell moved to approve the agenda. Second – Regent Velarde. A roll call vote was taken. Board President Martin – yes, Regent Velarde – yes, Regent Swentzell – yes, Regent Archuleta – yes, Regent Juarez – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Martin entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss limited personnel matters related to hiring to discuss the Interim President Contract.

Regent Swentzell moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss limited personnel matters related to hiring to discuss the Interim President contract. Second – Regent Velarde. A roll call vote was taken. A roll call vote was taken. Board President Martin – yes, Regent Velarde – yes, Regent Swentzell – yes, Regent Archuleta – yes, Regent Juarez – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

The Board of Regents returned from Executive Session and stated only those items listed on the agenda were discussed. (Note: This portion of the Board Meeting did not record).

IV. INTERIM PRESIDENT

Board President Martin entertained a motion to offer Dr. Barbara Medina the position of Interim President at Northern New Mexico College.

Regent Velarde moved to offer Dr. Barbara Medina the position of Interim President. Second – Regent Juarez. A roll call vote was taken. Board President Martin – yes, Regent Velarde – yes, Regent Swentzell – yes, Regent Archuleta – yes, Regent Juarez – yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Board President Martin asked Dr. Medina if she would like to say a few words. Dr. Medina thanked the Board of all their due diligence. Really excited and thanked everyone for moving forward and their due diligence. She looks forward to serving and working with every one and is excited She is excited about the opportunity and thanked the Board of Regents. you.

Regent Velarde wanted to say thank you to Dr. Medina. We are excited to have you to be the person to help us forward until we find the permanent President. She looks forward to working with President Medina and keep on this vision Dr. Bailey has created and thanked Dr. Medina for her time and for applying with the College.

Dr. Medina stated it is her pleasure and an honor

Regent Swentzell extended his congratulations to Interim President Dr. Medina. He welcomed Dr. Medina to Northern and stated the Board looks forward to working with her and also as getting started as quickly as possible because President Bailey has done a great deal of work at the College. So picking up and carrying on the work of President Bailey will be a critical thing to get started soon so the Board looks forward to getting to work with her immediately. Welcome to Northern and Regent Swentzell is excited that Dr. Medina decided to lend her expertise and service and knowledge to the college and to the communities of Northern New Mexico. Dr. Medina thanked Regent Swentzell.

Regent Archuleta stated he would like to welcome Dr. Medina. He stated she has an impressive resume and is well vested in what is going on at Northern, she knows what is going on and the issues we face and where we want to go. Regent Archuleta is also excited, he is a school board member so he is also excited with her expertise in the K-12 area so we can continue that partnership with the area schools and would like to welcome Interim President Medina. Interim President Medina thanked Regent Archuleta.

Regent Juarez congratulated Dr. Medina and welcomed her to the Eagle family. We are very grateful and blessed to have someone with her expertise and experience and love for New Mexico here to help us with this transition. She would also like to give a huge kudos to Board President Martin and Regent Swentzell for the process they put together. She also appreciated how they involved community voice through the anonymous comment function. Regent Juarez also wanted to thank the community and the public for providing insight. Regent Juarez stated she is happy to have Dr. Medina and is looking forward to getting to know her. Dr. Medina thanked Regent Juarez.

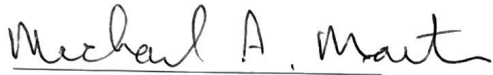
V. ADJOURN

Board President Martin entertained a motion to adjourn.

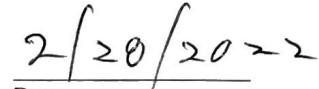
Regent Juarez moved to adjourn. Second – Regent Velarde. A roll call vote was taken. Board President Martin – yes, Regent Velarde – yes, Regent Swentzell – yes, Regent Archuleta – yes, Regent Juarez – yes. Motion passed unanimously.


The Board of Regents adjourned at 3:07PM.

APPROVED:



Michael A. Martin
President


Date


Erica Velarde
Vice President

2/32/2022
Date






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