Agenda Item 8(c)-1-

New Mexico State University Board of Regents Meeting Meeting Date: September 8, 2006

- O Action Item Presented by: Christina Chavez Kelley
- Q Consent Item
- O Informational Item

## Requested Action of the Board of Regents:

Ratification of revisions and additions to the New Mexico State University Policy Manual since September 8, 2005.

## **Executive Summary:**

Attached for your ratification are additions and revisions to the NMSU Policy Manual. The substantive revisions and additions have been approved either by the Administrative Council, Faculty Senate, Advisory Council on Administrative Policy or are revisions/additions mandated by state or federal law. Editorial changes have been made to correct the table of contents and index. The following departmental name changes and title changes also have been made throughout the manual:

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| Aggie Scholarship Association                     | Aggie Athletics Fund  |
| Assistant Vice President for Business and Finance | Associate Vice President for Business, Finance and Human Resources            |
| Assistant to the President                        | Senior Assistant to the President   |
| Athletic  | Athletics   |
| Commission on Higher Education                    | Higher Education Department   |
| Department of Intercollegiate Athletics           | Athletics Department  |
| Director of Intercollegiate Athletics             | Athletics Director  |
| Director of Physical Science Laboratory           | Dean and Director of the Physical Science<br>Laboratory                       |
| Director of University Communications             | Associate Vice President for University Communications and Marketing Services |
| Hadley Hall Room 15                               | 0=Loughlin House, 1130 University Ave.  |

| Long-range Planning Committee Long range Planning Committee    | Long-Range Planning Committee   |
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| Motor Pool   | Transportation Services   |
| Physical Science Institute                                     | Deleted   |
| President of the Board of Regents                              | Chair of the Board of Regents   |
| Provost  | Executive Vice President and Provost  |
| Publications Board   | Publications and Communications Board   |
| Technology Transfer Corporation, Inc.                          | Arrowhead Center, Inc.<br>(except in Chap. 2 table of contents and 2.68<br>heading) |
| University Communications                                      | University Communications and Marketing Services                                    |
| University Radiation Safety Committee                          | Radiation Safety Committee  |
| Vice President for Human and Physical<br>Resources             | Senior Vice President for Planning, Physical<br>Resources and University Relations  |
| Vice President for Business and Finance                        | Senior Vice President for Business, Finance and Human Resources                     |
| Vice President for Student Services,<br>Dean, Student Services | Associate Provost for Student Affairs and Community Colleges                        |
| Vice President of the Board of Regents                         | Vice Chair of the Board of Regents  |
| Vice Provost for Economic Development                          | Vice President for Economic Development   |
| Vice Provost for International Programs                        | Dean of International and Border Programs   |
| Vice Provost for Research                                      | Vice President for Research, Graduate Studies and International Programs            |

## Significant additions/revisions include:

1.05.50 (Ch. 1, pg. 7) Administrative Council. Reflects accurate membership.

1.05.85 (Ch. 1, pg. 9) <u>Leadership Scholarships</u>. Revised to allow ASNMSU student senators who are appointed to serve the full semester, rather than elected, to also be eligible to receive a financial award.

- 2.90.50 (Ch. 2, pg. 39) <u>Non-Disclosure Policy</u>. Establishes new policy. Defines the responsibilities of employees who are not faculty who have access to NMSU records that contain sensitive or confidential information.
- 3.05 (Ch. 3, pg. 4) <u>Alcohol Policy</u>. Expands the existing policy to include every university function, class, or event and requires additional approvals.
- 3.98 (Ch.3, pg. 33) <u>Smoking Policy</u>. Expands the existing policy beyond state law to include building entries, specific areas and certain conditions.
- 4.30.05 (Ch. 4, pg. 20) <u>Employment Background Review Policy</u>. Establishes new policy to require that background reviews are conducted as part of the hiring process.
- 5.87 (Ch. 5, pg. 28) <u>Post-Tenure Review</u>. Establishes new policy instituting an annual review process for tenured faculty members.
- 5.88.10 (Ch. 5, pg. 28) <u>University Library Faculty</u>. Amends the Library=s criteria for promotion and tenure to bring the Policy Manual and the Library=s guidelines into agreement.
- 6.65 (Ch. 6, pg. 10) <u>General Education Courses</u>. Expands the existing policy to comply with New Mexico Higher Education Department >s mandate for a 35-hour lower-division general education common core curriculum, which will be transferable between all universities in the state of New Mexico. Also allows NMSU the ability to require additional course requirements for students to complete before graduating.
- 6.87 (Ch. 6, pg 16) Policy on Student Admission and Residency Processes in Relation to Immigration Status. Establishes new policy to conform with the New Mexico Higher Education Department=s rules and regulations.
- 7.03 7.23 (Ch. 7, pgs 1-31) Revised to reflect changes in health insurance coverage and other benefits, and to clarify existing policy.
- 8.16 (Ch. 8, pg. 7) <u>Hardship Differential Pay</u>. Establishes new policy to provide for extra compensation for employees assigned to work under extraordinary working conditions.
- 9.20 (Ch. 9, pg. 3) NMSU Real Estate. Revises Section 9.20 and establishes new policy. Clarifies the role of the NMSU Real Estate Office and delegates authority to the University President to sign certain real estate documents on behalf of the Board of Regents (*i.e.*, leases under five years and leases under \$100,000). All purchases and sales of real property remain subject to the approval of the Board of Regents.
- 9.34 (Ch. 9, pg. 4) <u>Fleet Asset Management Program</u>. Establishes new policy to provide fleet management programs and procedures for university vehicles.

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Appendix 1-B (Appendices, pg. 4) <u>Signature Authority</u>. Revised to add Assistant Vice President for Auxiliary Services and to reflect title changes.

Appendix 1-C (Appendices, pg. 7) <u>Organizational Chart</u>. Revised to reflect organization as of June 30, 2006.

Appendix 1-D (Appendices, pg. 8) <u>Constitution of the Faculty Senate</u>. Revised to include gender neutral language and to cross-reference the lists of ex officio members to the Faculty Senate=s By-laws.

Appendix 1-F (Appendices, pg. 19) <u>Councils, Boards and Committees</u>. Revised to include undated list of councils, boards and committees as of June 30, 2006.