

Minutes of the Special Meeting of  
The Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico  
November 05, 2025  
3:30 PM Executive Session – Scholes Hall, Roberts Room

Members Present

Paul Blanchard, Chair  
Victor Reyes, Vice Chair  
Paula Tackett, Secretary-Treasurer  
Christina Campos  
Jack Fortner  
William H. Payne

Administration Present

Garnett S. Stokes, President; Daniel Jones, General Counsel; and Kevin Stevenson, VP Human Resources.

Advisors Present

None

Presenters

None

CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF A QUORUM

Regent Chair Paul Blanchard called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm in the Scholes Hall Roberts Room and confirmed a quorum with 5 members present in person (Regents Blanchard, Campos, Williams, Tackett, and Fortner). Regent Reyes joined the meeting at 3:38 pm. Regent Williams was absent.

VOTE TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

- **The motion to adopt the agenda passed unanimously with five regents present and voting (1st Fortner; 2<sup>nd</sup> Payne).**

VOTE TO CLOSE THE MEETING AND PROCEED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **The motion to close the meeting and proceed in executive session passed unanimously with five regents present and voting (1st Tackett; 2<sup>nd</sup> Fortner; roll call vote – all members voted yes)**

Executive Session agenda:

- Discussion and/or determination of limited personnel matters pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 10- 15-1H(2).

VOTE TO RE-OPEN THE MEETING

- **The motion to re-open the meeting passed unanimously with six regents present and voting (1st Fortner; 2<sup>nd</sup> Campos; roll call vote – all members voted yes).**

Regent Blanchard reconvened open session at 4:29 pm and certified that only those matters described in the Executive Session Agenda were discussed in the closed session.

VOTE TO APPROVE COMPOSITION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- **The motion to approve the composition of the Presidential Advisory Search Committee passed unanimously with six regents present and voting (1st Reyes; 2<sup>nd</sup> Payne)**

VOTE TO AUTHORIZE SUBSTITUTION BY THE CHAIR IF A SPECIFIED PERSON CANNOT SERVE ON THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- **The motion to authorize substitution by the chair if a specified person cannot serve on the Presidential Search Advisory Committee passed unanimously with six regents present and voting (1st Reyes; 2<sup>nd</sup> Payne)**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Regent Reyes motioned to adjourn the meeting, Regent Tackett seconded, all were in favor; the meeting adjourned at 4:31 pm.

Approved:



Paul Blanchard, Chair

Minutes originated and finalized by Emily Morelli

Attest:



Paula Tackett, Secretary-Treasurer