Members Presents:  Joseph Velasco (Chair), Louis Harveson, Barbara Tucker, Filemon Zamora, and Jim Case

I. Comments. After establishing a quorum, Joseph Velasco convened the meeting at 3:11 p.m. Velasco invited comments from the members regarding the work of the council.

II. Election of Chair. Velasco called for nominations for Council Chair. Velasco was elected council chair for the 2020-2021 academic year [motion by Louis Harveson; second by Filemon Zamora; motion passed unanimously].

III. New Business.
   A. Discuss the responsibilities of the Budget Oversight Council.
      Velasco lead the council in a discussion of the responsibilities of the Budget Oversight Council. The responsibilities are:
      i. Academic salary structure and system;
      ii. Prioritization of capital equipment requests;
      iii. Fiscal priorities and major budget categories for the expenditure of the University budget;
      iv. Establishment and control of accounts;
      v. Proposed personnel additions or deletions relating to academic programs.

      Action Items: Based upon the discussion of the responsibilities of the Budget Oversight Council, the members of the Council asked the chair of the Council to:
      i. Meet with President Gallego regarding the responsibilities of the Budget Oversight Council;
      ii. Meet with Jim Goodman and Corina Ramirez regarding the responsibilities of the Budget Oversight Council;
      iii. Request copies of the current budget including budget detail; and
      iv. If copies of the budget do not exist, request briefing on the status of the budget.
C. Identify areas of interest and concern that the council could address during the 2020-2021 academic year.
   Action Item: Based upon the discussion, the members of the Council requested the chair to visit with Kathy Stein, President of the Faculty Assembly, regarding contacting the President of the Faculty Senate at the Middle Rio Grande campuses to determine the desirability of this Council including a representative from the faculty of the Middle Rio Grande campuses or creation of a Joint Council on Budget Oversight.

IV. Old Business. There was no old business.

V. Scheduling of Next Meeting. Meetings will be called by the Council Chair as needed. A November meeting will be scheduled.

VI. Adjournment. Velasco adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

As recorded by: Jim Case

[Signature]
Jim Case

Date
10-12-20

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