



Staff Council Standing Committee Minutes

Committee Name: Government Relations

Meeting Date and Place: Thursday, November 8, 2018, Staff Council Conference Room

Members Present: Armando Bustamante, Jesus Chavez, Autumn Collins, Jennifer Kavka, Joseph Lane, Scott Sanchez, Tracy Wenzl

Members Excused:

Members Absent: Texanna Martin

Guests Present: SC Speaker Mary Clark

Minutes submitted by: Tracy Wenzl

	Subject	Notes	Follow-Up
1	Approve Agenda		
2	Approve Minutes (N/A – first meeting)		
3	New Business	Committee selected Scott Sanchez to chair the committee.	
4	Report	<p>Speaker Mary Clark gave an overview of the history of Staff Council's government relations activity. She suggested the main roles of the committee would be to keep staff informed, provide information on how to reach their representatives, and advocate for staff.</p> <p>She further suggested supporting the efforts of the UNM student organizations.</p>	ACTION ITEM: Scott to request that President Burford contact the student groups to request their legislative priorities
5	Roundtable/Discussion of priorities	The top issues noted by the committee were ERB/retirement changes, compensation, and the lottery scholarship. Additional recommendations were to support the students' agenda, and to support the overall UNM agenda.	<p>ACTION ITEM: All to bring ideas for specific agenda that this committee will work on this legislation session</p> <p>ACTION ITEM: All to identify their own representatives</p>
	Next Meeting	The next meeting will be Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 10 am in the Staff Council Conference Room.	Meeting adjourned 10:30am