

**New Mexico Military Institute
Board of Regents
Special Meeting 1300 17 April 2020
Zoom/Telephonic Meeting**

MINUTES

The Board of Regents of New Mexico Military Institute met at 1300 on Friday, 17 April 2020 telephonically for a special meeting.

Call to Order:

COL Tim Paul called the meeting to order.

Regents Present:

COL Tim Paul; President

COL Barbara Trent; Vice President

Mr. Bradford Christmas; Secretary/Treasurer

Dr. Cedric Page; Member

Regents Absent:

Mr. John Garcia; Member

ITEM 1 Approval of Agenda

COL Timothy Paul called for a Motion to approve the Agenda as presented for the 17 April 2020 special meeting. COL Barbara Trent made a Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Mr. Brad Christmas.

COL Timothy Paul - For, COL Barbara Trent – For, Bradford Christmas – For, Dr. Cedric Page – For.

ITEM 2 Approval of 25 March Emergency Meeting Minutes

COL Timothy Paul called for a motion to approve the 25 March Emergency Meeting Minutes. Mr. Brad Christmas made a Motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by COL Barbara Trent.

COL Timothy Paul - For, COL Barbara Trent – For, Bradford Christmas – For, Dr. Cedric Page – For.

ITEM 3 Graduation Waiver

Reference the BOR Policy 6.3 Duties and Functions of the Board – “The Board shall carry out the duties and functions authorized by law and specified in this policy manual including, but not limited to the following:
7. Approve the curriculum, catalog, and all degrees awarded by New Mexico Military Institute.”

BG Murray brings before the BOR a proposal to waive the following requirements for Spring 2020 academic term and as they pertain to the requirements for graduation in response to the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 matter.

3A. – College Proficiency Profile

3B. – College Course-Load Requirement

3C. – HS Course-Load Requirement

3D. – HS ACT Requirement

COL Timothy Paul called for a motion to approve the graduation waiver as presented. COL Barbara Trent made a Motion to approve the graduation waiver as presented. Seconded by Dr. Cedric Page.

COL Timothy Paul - For, COL Barbara Trent – For, Bradford Christmas – For, Dr. Cedric Page – For.

ITEM 4 **Approval of Knowles Scholarship requirements**

Reference the BOR Policy 7.1 General Richard T. Knowles Scholarship (rev. 10232015a) “Applicability The Board of Regents is responsible for establishing the criteria and administration of the Knowles Legislative Scholarship program for eligible New Mexico resident students to be sponsored by specific Legislators for up to four years at an amount set forth and approved by the board on an annual basis. ... Criteria for the Knowles Scholarship In accordance with NMSA 21-12-12-D, “The board of regents shall establish criteria for the awarding of scholarships. Criteria shall include scholastic ability, faculty recommendations, standardized test scores, letters of recommendation, school honors and extracurricular activities.””

LTC Sonya Rodriquez, Director of Financial Aid brings before the BOR a proposal to allow the administration of the Knowles Legislative Scholarship to cover any and all costs presented and not be limited to Tuition and/or certain fees. Scholarships such as the new Opportunity Scholarship which are exclusive to tuition and fees result in a limitation or omission of the use of the Knowles Legislative Scholarship for any balance. The existing BOR policy (ref. 7.1) does not address any such limiting language. The funds are to be managed by the Financial Aid Department as prior.

COL Timothy Paul called for a motion to approve the Knowles Scholarship requirements as presented. Dr. Cedric Page made a Motion to approve the Knowles Scholarship requirements as presented. Seconded by COL Barbara Trent

COL Timothy Paul - For, COL Barbara Trent – For, Bradford Christmas – For, Dr. Cedric Page – For.

ITEM 5 **Superintendent Update**

MG Jerry Grizzle updated the board on NMMI’s response to COVID-19 and the preparations for the Fall 2020 semester.

ITEM 6 Messages from the Board

Thanked NMMI staff and faculty for the response to COVID-19.

ITEM 7 Confirmation of Next Meeting Date, 15 May 2020. NOTE – the previously scheduled end-of April meeting has been rescheduled because of State requirements for budget submissions has been moved to 15 May 2020.

ITEM 8 Adjourn

Mr. Brad Christmas made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by COL Barbara Trent.

COL Timothy Paul - For, COL Barbara Trent – For, Bradford Christmas – For, Dr. Cedric Page – For.

For the Board of Regents

COL Timothy Paul, President

ATTEST:

Bradford Christmas, Secretary/Treasurer