Dean of Instruction/Chair Business and Applied Technology

The preliminary interviews have been completed and the search committee for the dean of instruction and chair of business and applied technology has put forth a recommendation for on-campus interviews. We are in the process of negotiating with the finalists regarding travel arrangements, but the following dates/times/ have been identified for public forums:

- Tuesday, June 26th 11:00 am – 12:00 pm SSTC Room 200 (Chair candidate)
- Tuesday, July 3rd 10:30 am – 11:30 pm SSTC Room 200 (Dean candidate)
- Thursday, July 5th 10:30 am – 11:30 pm SSTC Room 200 (Dean candidate)
- Monday, July 9th 10:30 am – 11:30 pm SSTC Room 200 (Dean candidate)
- Tuesday, July 10th 10:30 am – 11:30 pm CH 248 (Auditorium) (Dean candidate)
- Thursday, July 12th 10:30 am – 11:30 pm SSTC Room 200 (Dean candidate)

Please join us in welcoming and meeting the candidates.

Local Advisory Board Meeting

Our local advisory board held their monthly meeting this past Tuesday. For access to the board packets which include meeting minutes, an agenda and supplementary materials, please visit: https://www.gallup.unm.edu/administration/localboard.php

Previously, board packets were only available to non-board members in paper form the day of the board meeting, but they will now be published electronically on the earliest possible date prior to the meetings.
Small Business Development Center

The New Mexico Small Business Development Center is proceeding with issuance of a cooperative agreement for the 2018-2019 year. The model constructed at the state level will allow for a director and a coordinator position to continue serving the needs of the greater Gallup community. Under the leadership of Cynthia Jarvison, the UNM-Gallup SBDC offers workshops, business trainings and start up counseling for our local area.

Cynthia Jarvison, Director,
UNM-Gallup SBDC

Construction Updates

This week we walked the campus with the UNM architect and project manager to talk about site considerations for the new physical plant building. Final construction decisions regarding site and design will be made in the near future.

The final location for our new sign has been determined (close proximity to the current sign) and the purchase order to assemble it has been issued. We are currently working with IT-Albuquerque on bringing fiber to the new location from the SSTC building. Construction areas have been charted and marked with utility flags and we look forward to construction and installation soon.
Utility flags mark the way for digging to begin soon for the new UNM-Gallup sign.

Retirement Celebrations

This upcoming week, we will celebrate the retirement of two UNM-Gallup employees. Wyatt Stiger, senior academic advisor, will be ending his career with UNM-G after 16 years of service. Roxanne Escajeda, student success specialist, will also be retiring after her 18 ½ year career. I want to congratulate both of these wonderful employees on this lifetime achievement and thank them for their exceptional work done for the university.

A retirement potluck will be held for Wyatt on Thursday, June 28th at 1:00 pm in SSTC Room 200. A retirement potluck brunch in Roxanne’s honor will be Friday, June 29th at 10:00 am in SSTC Room 200. Please bring a dish to share as we wish our colleagues and friends the best of luck in all future endeavors.
Environmental Scan

Under the supervisor of Brittany Babycos, senior institutional researcher, the UNM-Gallup environmental scan is well under way. Two orientations have already been held with more than 20 volunteers to guide the research aspect of the scan. Project management will be monitored through Microsoft 365 Planner which is a professional and sophisticated tool to inform, organize and track progress. If you are interested in gathering information or participating in a focus group, please contact Brittany at brittanybabycos@unm.edu. We hope to have results available by mid- to late August. Thanks to all those who are already digging into data research in their respective areas.