

Chancellor Weekly Brief | 2.5.2021
Dr. James Malm

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT WORK GROUP.

February is always a special time of the year when we celebrate Black History Month. And when we salute all the wonderful accomplishments and contributions Africans Americans make to our country and world—and recognize their central role in United States History.

As a minority-majority public institution, this month is also a reminder of our own commitment to being a recognized leader in community focused, regionally specific, and culturally vibrant higher education. At UNM-Gallup, we value excellence, integrity, and diversity from all members of our campus community who help us fulfill our mission. Celebrations such as Black History Month give us much needed pause to reflect on the many wonderful blessings we gain from upholding these values.

We are also moving along during this spring semester at a brisk pace with a continued focus on student success, financial soundness, and campus climate. For the next few weeks, I'd like to focus our Weekly Brief conversations on updates related to operational efforts by our administrative team. This week, our update is on the Budget Adjustment Work Group (BAWG) chaired by Robert Griego, director of business operations.

There is a call-out underway for faculty, staff, students, and administrators to serve on this work group that will deliver a plan that addresses the necessary budget adjustments for Fiscal Year 2022 for both academic and non-academic units. Listening and working sessions will be conducted across the university over the next several weeks, where Robert will provide historical data and long-term plans that have been compiled as well as current financial information as it becomes available.

This group will also operate within the spirit of authentic shared governance and with the inclusion of as many campus voices as is practical. It is an important endeavor for our campus, and I invite you to participate by contacting Robert directly at rpgriego@unm.edu.

Good work abounds at UNM-Gallup thanks to your dedication to our mission. This weekend, we will also continue our commitment to serving our community by hosting another GIMC vaccination clinic at our gym, where hundreds of COVID-19 vaccines will be given once again to our vulnerable populations.

We are serving. We are persevering. We are doing great things. Please stay safe and stay well.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'J. Malm'.

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