

Chancellor Weekly Brief | 6.8.2021

Dr. James Malm

OUR ELECTED LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD.

This week begins our summer semester, and I'd like to congratulate all of our students who are continuing their studies at this time for their dedication and commitment. While we think of the summer months as a time for outdoor recreation and perhaps a little relaxation, it's also a good time to stay on track or get ahead with your coursework.

I'd like to also take this opportunity to let our community know that the UNM-Gallup Local Advisory Board will meet for the final time in the 2020-21 fiscal year next Tuesday, June 15th, on campus to discuss and vote on several important agenda items, including:

- A review and vote on the [Local Advisory Board Bylaws](#);
- A review and vote on the [operating agreement](#) between the UNM Board of Regents and the UNM-Gallup Local Advisory Board;
- Vote and sign the [Open Meetings Act Resolution](#) and the [Local Advisory Board Code of Ethics](#); and
- Vote on the election of Local Advisory Board officers and meeting schedule for the upcoming 2021-22 fiscal year.

For the full board agenda, meeting location and time, and links to the documents I've referenced, please visit the Local Advisory Board page on our website at gallup.unm.edu/administration/localboard.

THE GURLEY HALL SX PROJECT

During this upcoming advisory board meeting, I will also deliver an update on our five-year capital outlay plan that includes an exciting Gurley Hall Student Experience project which will lead our 2022 General Obligation (GO) Bond ask. As we anticipate the future educational needs of our students in a post-COVID environment, we look to improve and renovate Gurley Hall to support student success, reorganize our spaces, improve the building's aesthetics, increase access to student support programs, and increase indoor and outdoor study areas.

This much-needed Gurley Hall renovation project, if successfully funded in the next GO Bond cycle, will provide a vibrant campus center for UNM-Gallup and would closely follow our renovations to our Career and Technical Education classrooms and labs, which is a project that begins this year and is funded by the 2020 GO Bond. My continued thanks to the elected state officials and voters of New Mexico and McKinley County for their support of our campus projects which keep our buildings efficient and effective for this 21st century of learning.

As we look forward to a fuller return to campus this August, please consider getting vaccinated at your earliest convenience and as your conscience allows. You can receive a COVID vaccine this Thursday, June 10th, or Saturday, June 12th, on campus. [Both vaccine clinics](#) are held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Physical Education Complex and are open to anyone 12 years and older.



Office of the Chancellor

Best Regards,

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

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