

August 11, 2005

Report from the Chair

Two major events occurred since our last meeting that I think need to be presented to the membership of ACAP.

1. On August 3, 2005 ACAP executive committee met with Dr. Peter Mcgrath and Dr. Sam Smith at the request of President Martin. The purpose of the meeting was to provide input to the President to these two former university presidents. President Martin requested that several groups meet with this team to provide a mechanism to gather input to improve NMSU. The following items were discussed:
  - a. ACAP's purpose and mission was explained
  - b. A brief history of the past several years was reviewed
  - c. ACAP reviewed our goal to improve communication
  - d. The team asked for our advice to be given to the president
    - i. Continue an open forum to improve communications
    - ii. Standardize "advisory group" status, ie paid secretarial position and a place at the regents table.
    - iii. Provide leadership training focusing on training managers to manage.
  
2. On August 3, 2005 ACAP moderated the first open forum. Some action items for ACAP were identified.
  - a. Ensure that Administrative Council Minutes are included in ACAP minutes for inclusion on our website
  - b. Host/moderate future forums