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NMSU Faculty Senate  
Vice Chair's Report  
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The semester is getting off to a slow start but will be picking up speed shortly I'm sure.

ADAC: ADAC met once. The administration of Dual Credit was discussed. For those of you who don't know, state law now allows students to receive dual credit for high school and college for courses taught at universities and community colleges. To qualify for dual credit, the course should be 100 or 200 level and must be on an approved list. The list of qualifying course at NMSU is evolving. If you know someone who wants to enroll for Dual Credit, please refer them to the Admissions Office first.

University Budget Committee: We reviewed disposition of unexpended BRR and ERR funds, which revert to central as of December 2008 unless retention is approved by the Budget Committee. Keep your fingers cross, but Jenifer Taylor seems to think NMSU will get through this very tough session relatively well. We will take some hits but these will be offset largely by growth money. BRR and ERR are likely to take larger hits than I&G, which is good news for class room types. Expectations are for a zero cost of living/merit pay increase.

Faculty Senate Faculty Salary Task Force: We will have our first meeting for the semester next week. We may have a little more to play around with than at least I expected.

Respectfully,  
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Faculty Senate Vice-Chair  
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