



*Adopted September 29, 2021*

**NORTHERN MARIANAS COLLEGE  
BOARD OF REGENTS  
Special Meeting of August 17, 2021**

**Minutes**

**I. Call Meeting to Order**

a. Roll Call:

The special meeting of the Board of Regents of the Northern Marianas College was held on August 17, 2021 in the BOR Conference Room, Saipan Campus in person and online (remotely) using the Zoom platform.

Board members Present in Person:

Elaine Hocog Orilla, BOR Acting Chairperson  
Regent Michaela U. Sanchez, BOR Treasurer  
Regent Charles Cepeda  
Regent Jeannie Mafnas  
Regent Michelle Lin Sablan  
Regent Jesse Tudela  
Regent Irene Torres

NMC Staff Present in Person:

Galvin Deleon Guerrero, EdD, NMC President  
Frankie Eliptico, Vice President of Administrative and Advancement  
Dr. Randy Yates, Dean of Academic Programs & Services  
Rachel Fusco, CIP Director  
Becky Sablan, Executive Secretary to the President (Recorder)

Others Present:

Jaime Pangelinan, TRMA  
Dicky Cody, TRMA

b. Review and Adoption of Agenda

Acting Chairperson Elaine Orilla called the meeting to order at 1:02p.m. and welcomed Regent Cepeda and Regent Mafnas as they were recently reappointed back to the board. Congratulations and Welcome Regents!

**Action:** Regent Torres motioned to adopt the agenda, seconded by Regent Cepeda. All members voted yes, the motion passed. The agenda is hereby adopted with no changes.

**II. Public Comment Period:** Individuals may verbally testify on items on the agenda during the Public Comment Period. Testifiers are requested to limit their comments to five (5) minutes. Written comments are also accepted. - None.

Galvin Deleon Guerrero, EdD, NMC President introduced the following members of the college who were present at today's meeting.

- 1) Frankie Eliptico, Vice-President of Administration and Advancement
- 2) Dr. Randy Yates, Dean of Academic Programs and Services
- 3) Geri Rodgers, Office of Institutional Effectiveness
- 4) Neda Deleon Guerrero, Career Services Director

Introductions from Vice-President Eliptico:

- 1) Information & Technology
- 2) Rachel Fusco, CIP Director
- 3) Jaime Pangelinan, TRMA
- 4) Dick Cody, TRMA

### **III. Review and Adoption of Minutes**

- a. April 28, 2021 regular meeting
- b. May 07, 2021 special meeting
- c. June 29, 2021 con't on July 02, 2021 special meeting
- d. July 09, 2021 special meeting

**Action:** Regent Cepeda motioned to adopt the April 28 and May 07, 2021 minutes, seconded by Regent Sanchez. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

**Action:** Regent Torres motioned to adopt the June 29 and July 09, 2021 minutes, seconded by Regent Mafnas. All members voted yes, the motion passed.

**IV. Old Business** - None.

### **V. New Business**

- a. Facilities Master Plan – Saipan Campus

Acting Chairperson Orilla indicated that the NMC Facilities Master Plan is in today's agenda for the board's review and action. Regent Cepeda indicated that there is still much to do with building new facilities and the passage of a facility masterplan is a major milestone for the college.

**Action:** Regent Cepeda motioned to adopt the Facilities Master Plan to include the map on Page 32 of the Facilities Master Plan. This page identifies all the building locations and the approval

will also include some conditions, seconded by Regent Sanchez. The conditions are listed as follows:

- 1) The area for future improvements will be clearly identified.
- 2) Cost estimated for future facilities will be listed out to include modifications as needed.

All members voted yes, the motion passed. Congratulations NMC!

#### b. Gender Based Violence Policy

In speaking with the college administration, the staff requested to table this item to allow for more time to review the proposed policy.

**Action:** Regent Cepeda moved to table this item for further review by the college, seconded by Regent Mafnas. All members voted yes, the motion passed. The Gender Based policy is tabled.

**Executive Session** (At any time during the scheduled meeting of the Board of Regents may be required to enter into executive session to discuss matters deemed privileged and confidential). – None.

a. Legal Matters

b. Personnel Matters

## VI. Adjournment

President Deleon Guerrero commended the board for their hard work for the college. The board had two working sessions prior to the board meeting having had very spirited debate and input that reflects their commitment and passion for the college. Thank you Regents!

**Action:** Regent Cepeda motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Regent Sanchez. All members voted yes, the motion passed. The meeting ended at 1:14pm.