

**University Council Minutes**  
**Wednesday, June 6, 2012**  
**8:30 - 10:00 am**  
**233 SUB**

Waded Cruzado, Daniel Adams, Larry Baker, Matt Caires, Tom Calcagni, Kari Cargill, Susan Dana, Dennis Defa, Joe Fedock, Peter Fields, Carl Fox, Jaynee Groseth, Bob Hietala, Jeff Jacobsen, Marvin Lansverk, Diane Letendre, Jim Limbaugh, Paula Lutz, Robert Marley, Shelley McKamey, Helen Melland, Tamara Miller, Jim Rimpau, Leslie Taylor, Kevin Thane, Jeanne Wilkinson, Allen Yarnell

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I. Call to Order

President Cruzado called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Minutes of April 4, 2012

The minutes were approved as read.

III. University Wide Information/Announcements

President Cruzado thanked everyone for their participation in a wonderful commencement ceremony.

President Cruzado thanked Chancellor Limbaugh and Mrs. Limbaugh for hosting the Board of Regents meeting at MSU-Northern.

President Cruzado thanked Dean Joe Fedock, Dean Tamara Miller, Dean Susan Dana and Dean Larry Baker for their service to Montana State University.

IV. New Items

There were no new items on the agenda.

V. Old Items

There were no old items on the agenda.

VI. Information Items

A. OpenMSU Update

Nic Ward, Professor, Mechanical & Industrial Engineering

Professor Ward gave a presentation on OpenMSU. The link to OpenMSU is: [www.montana.edu/openmsu](http://www.montana.edu/openmsu). President Cruzado thanked Nic Ward Bill VanHorn, and all of the members of the Steering Committee for their dedication and good work on this project. Everyone is encouraged to disseminate information on OpenMSU to their constituencies.

## B. Parent and Family Program Update

Matt Caires, Dean of Students

Erica Swanson, Assistant Dean of Students

Dean Caires and Assistant Dean Swanson gave a presentation on the Parent Family Association. The Parent Family Association was created in 1992 and is 100% self-funded.

## VII. Updates

Chancellor Limbaugh announced MSU-Northern has completed the review of academic programs. MSU-Northern is focusing on recruitment and will be reviewing the website, Student Tour Guide and the condition of facilities. Chancellor Limbaugh announced a strategic planning group will be convened this fall.

Alumni Association President Groseth announced the Alumni Foundation is reaching out to alumni to achieve a lifetime commitment and relationship with the university.

Dean Hietala announced the Board of Regents approved the new name, Gallatin College - Montana State University.

Faculty Senate Chair Lansverk announced faculty continue to conduct research and write grants during the summer. Faculty Senate continues work on the Curriculum and Program Committee.

President Cruzado thanked Chair Lansverk for his very effective service as Chair of Faculty Senate.

Faculty Senate Chair Elect Neumeier announced he is focusing on research over the summer.

Professional Council Chair Wilkinson announced Professional Staff and Classified Staff had a very good and focused meeting with the Board of Regents.

AFMSU NTT President Cargill announced officers of AFMSU will attend national training this month.

Interim Dean Dana announced the College of Business Building Planning Committee is now looking at schematic designs. Interim Dean Dana

encouraged everyone to look at the College of Business website for participation opportunities.

Dean Lutz announced Leon Johnson 6<sup>th</sup> floor is ready and Cooley is ahead of schedule and under budget.

Staff Senate Chair Thane announced Staff Senate continues to focus on alignment of priorities with the University. ASMSU President Abbey and ASMSU Vice President Murdock will be attending Staff Senate to propose revised wording for the school song.

Dean Marley announced he will be participating in an American Council on Education fellowship for the 2012-2013 academic year. Department Head Gunnink will be Acting Dean.

Director Adams announced OpenMSU will be reaching out to staff this summer to as a follow up to the recently conducted surveys.

Vice President Rimpau announced the Library Dean Search Committee will be meeting on Monday. Candidates should be on campus within a month.

Executive Director Calcagni announced the Folklife Festival will be held in Washington DC at the end of June.

Executive Director McKamey encouraged everyone to visit the spectacular Napoleon exhibit at the Museum of the Rockies.

Executive Officer Yarnell announced he has transitioned to his new position and will be focusing on financial literacy for students and families.

Dean and Director Jacobsen announced the Letters and Science Dean search is on schedule. On campus interviews will be conducted in September.

President Cruzado said the Chief Information Officer search is in its final stage and an announcement will be made soon.

President Cruzado announced the Regent Joe Thiel has been reappointed as Student Regent.

#### VIII. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.